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Description

Uterine irrigation is the process of flushing a cow's uterus with a sterile solution to remove infections, debris, or retained fluids after calving. It's a simple but effective practice that supports reproductive health and boosts conception chances.

When is Uterine Irrigation Needed?

- After **retained placenta** or **difficult calving**
 - In cases of **metritis** (uterine infection)
 - When there's a **foul-smelling discharge**
 - After **artificial insemination failure** in suspect cows
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What's Used for Irrigation?

- **Normal saline**
 - **Diluted antiseptic solutions** (like Lugol's iodine or mild povidone-iodine)
 - **Herbal preparations** (sometimes used under vet guidance)
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Benefits of Uterine Irrigation:

- Clears infection and pus from the uterus
 - Prepares the cow for better conception
 - Improves overall reproductive performance
 - Reduces the risk of systemic infections
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Important Notes:

- Always done under **veterinarian supervision**
- **Proper hygiene** is critical to avoid further contamination
- Should not be done too frequently or without reason

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