African Swine Fever (ASF) is a viral infection with a very high risk of fatality for pigs.

- There is no treatment or vaccine for ASF, so prevention is critical!
- ASF is highly resistant in the environment and can be transmitted through direct or indirect contact with infected pigs or pork products.
- ASF cannot be transmitted from pigs to humans and is not a food safety risk.

Always keep a look out for signs of ASF in your pigs, including:

- Fever, weakness, or low appetite
- Vomiting and/or diarrhea
- Coughing or difficulty breathing
- Red, blotchy skin or skin lesions
- Sudden abortions or death

There are some simple things you can do to protect your pigs from ASF:

- Never feed any type of meat to your pigs, including dog or cat food. If you feed your pig table scraps, boil scraps for 30 minutes first.
- Do not allow your pig to have contact with wild pigs or domestic pigs from other households.
- Avoid contact between your pig and visitors, especially if visitors have been in contact with other pigs.
- Keep you pig’s environment clean and wash your hands frequently, especially when handling your pig or their food.

ASF is a reportable disease in Canada. Remember to stay vigilant and contact your veterinarian promptly if your pigs are unwell.

http://www.ovma.org/pet-owner-resources/african-swine-fever/