Sick Cow Examination

- View records on Dairy Comp for any recent treatments, notes, and daily milk wts.
- Observe cow for abnormal physical appearance or markings
- Observe cow for rapid breathing and nasal discharge
- Check for lameness (swollen joints, hocks, feet)
- Check for ketosis
- Check all 4 quarters for mastitis or abnormal milk
- Check temperature
- Check skin for hydration
- Listen to cow with stethoscope for DA, lungs, heart, rumen function
- Perform rectal exam-Determine manure consistency

If cow checks out normal, put back to the pen and continue to observe.