



# The UCD Review of Horse Welfare in Ireland 2007-2009 joe collins

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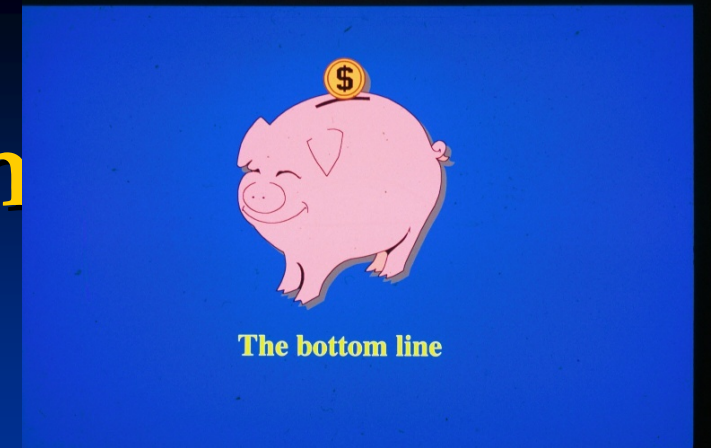
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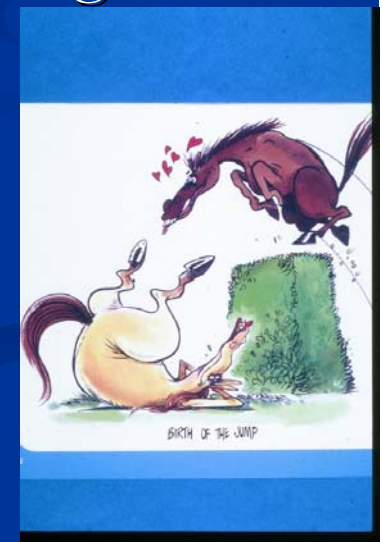
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# Motivation



- Ignorance - unknowing
- Indifference – “nothing to do with us and our horses”
- Uncaring, tending to malice toward horses
- Economic factors – driven by financial gain
- Tradition - socially accepted
- Personal ambition for success
- Other



- Fiscal measures
- Regulations\*
- Enforcement\*
- Incentives
- Society norms
- Family norms
- Peer pressure

**Necessary  
But not sufficient**

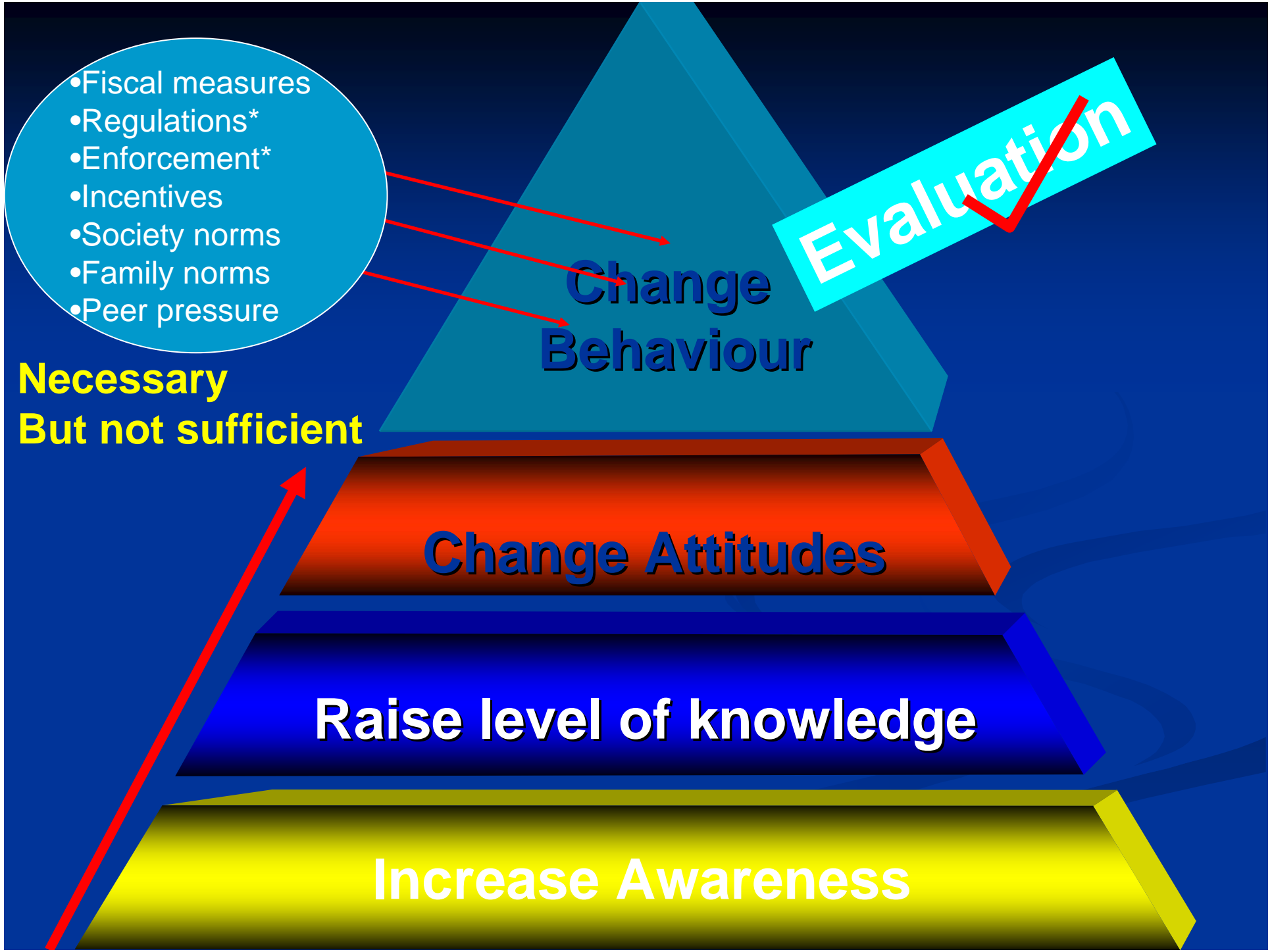
**Change  
Behaviour**

**Evaluation**

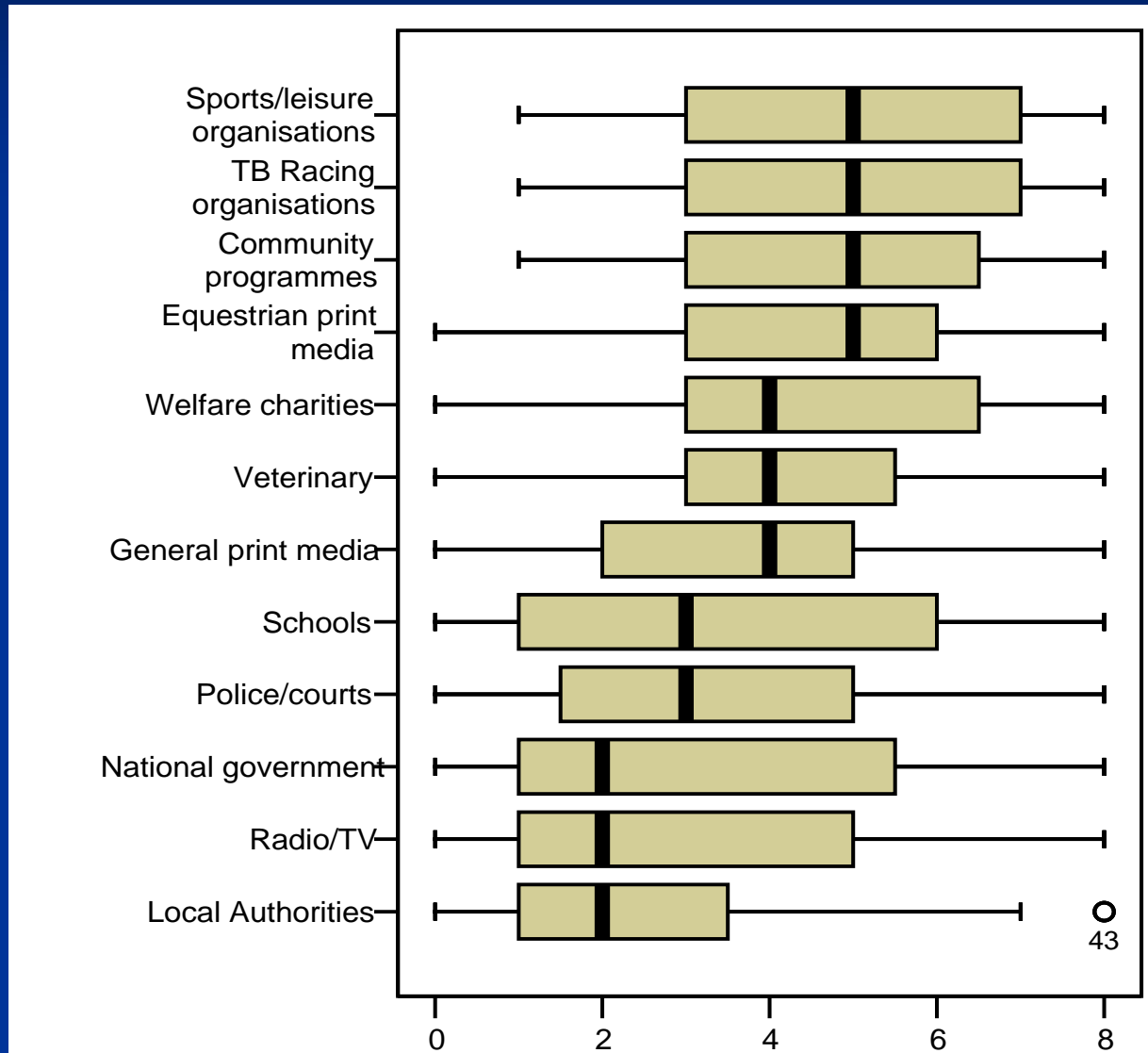
**Change Attitudes**

**Raise level of knowledge**

**Increase Awareness**



# General means for redress



# Mechanisms – detailed views – Round 3

- **Educational programmes:** providing information or training, via what organizations or media and ? directed at any particular group of people
- **Regulation and enforcement** (what kind) by authority (and which)
- **Fiscal** - levies, registration costs, penalties, subsidies (administered by whom and what kind)
- Pressure on voluntary **Associations** or Groups who can influence members to emphasize welfare more (what organizations and how)
- **Other**

# Round 3 – Issue 1

- “The disposal of horses trade – dealing, transport, slaughter”

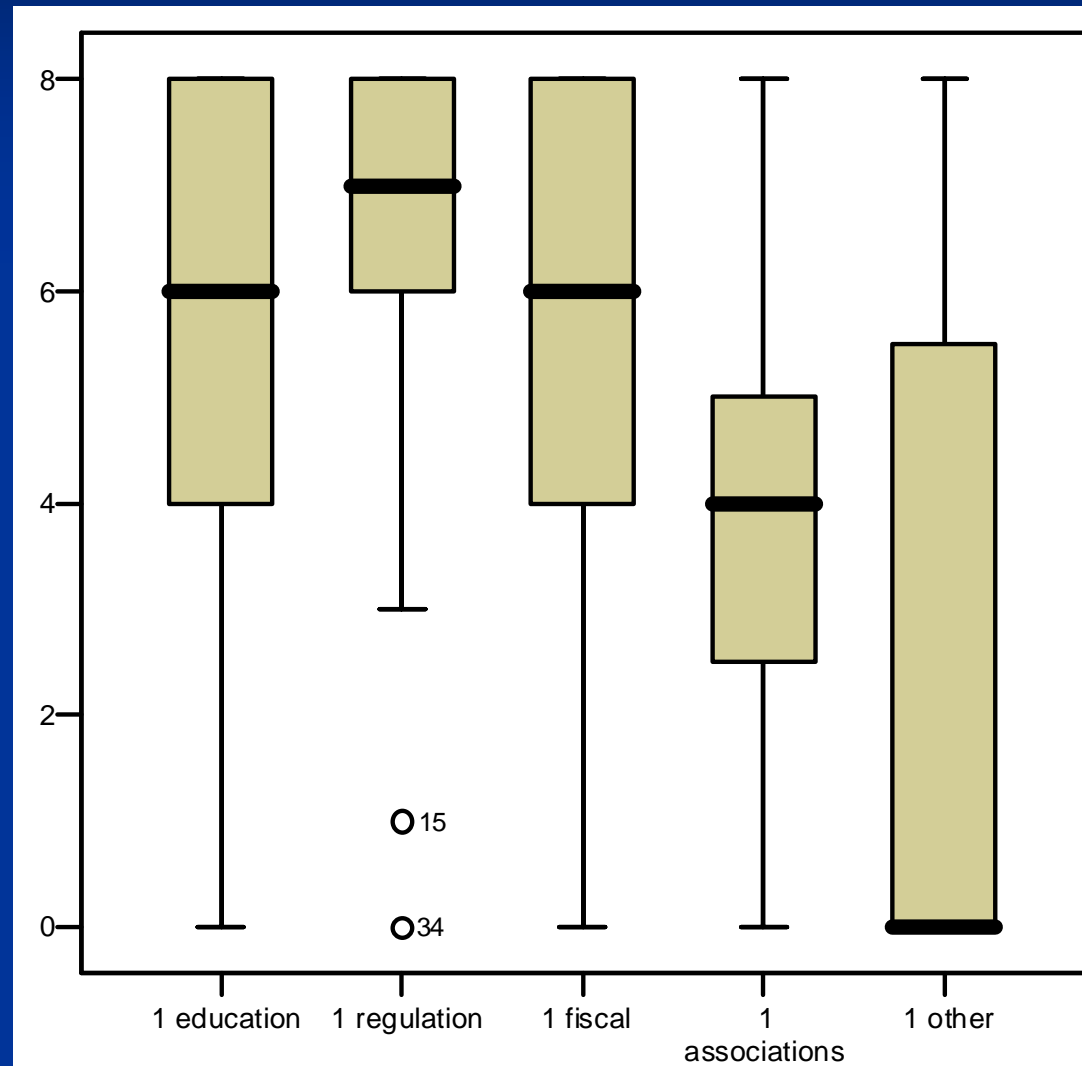


## Round 3 – Issue 2

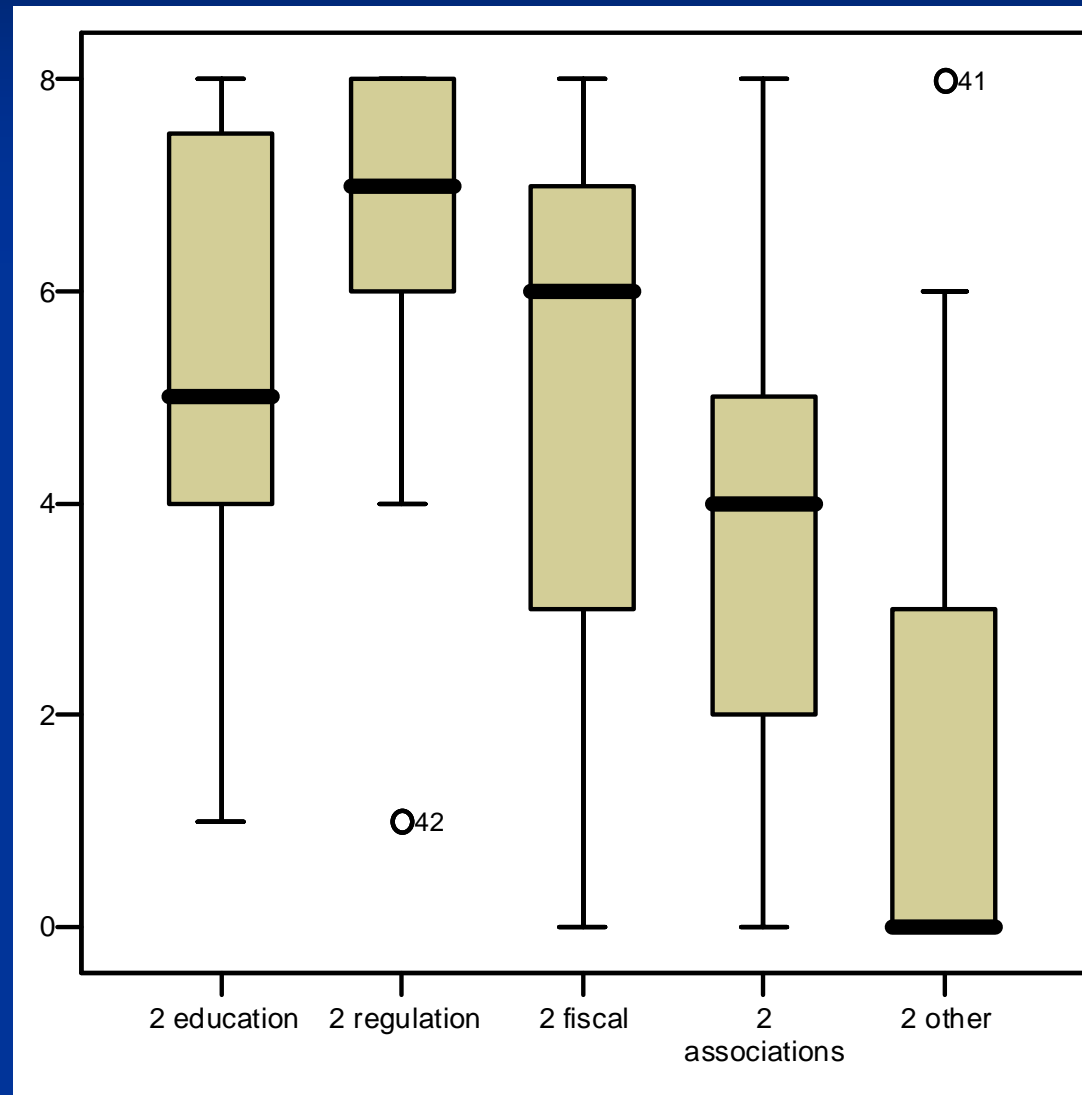
- “The behaviour toward horses at unregulated gatherings – fairs, races etc”



# Disposal of horses



# Unregulated Gatherings



# Why occupy this space?

## PARTING SHOT



"All you had to say was Giddy-up but no...it was dig, dig, dig, gouge, gouge, gouge!"

## RACE HORSE



## DEATHWATCH