



NFACC Information Update: September 2015

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NFACC WELCOMES NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBER - BOEHRINGER INGELHEIM CANADA LTD.

NFACC is pleased to welcome **Boehringer Ingelheim (Canada) Ltd.** as Associate Members.

Boehringer Ingelheim (BI) Animal Health is committed to fostering the health and well-being of mankind by contributing to an adequate supply of safe, nutritious food and by promoting the emotional and physical benefits arising from the human animal bond. For almost 60 years, BI has been providing innovative solutions that prevent and reduce disease, and improve the health and quality of life for animals.



"We are driven by our focus of improving animal welfare as an integral part of a healthy future for humankind. We share this focus with many members of the NFACC and we look forward to working alongside them on matters related to farm animal care, welfare and well-being." – Jeff Estabrooks, Business Unit Director (Cattle and Equine), Animal Health, Boehringer Ingelheim (Canada) Ltd.

MARKET RELEVANT CODES AND COMMUNICATION LEADERSHIP PROJECT* UPDATE

Codes of Practice

Bison – the Code Development Committee met in September. A summary of the meeting will soon be available at www.nfacc.ca/progress-report-bison.

Chickens, Turkeys and Breeders – the draft Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Hatching Eggs, Breeders, Chickens and Turkeys has reached a milestone, it will be released for public comment on October 5, 2015. The public comment period closes December 4, 2015. Watch for a press release announcing the start of the public comment period on the morning of October 5. Access to the comment period will be available from the poultry Code page at www.nfacc.ca/codes-of-practice/chickens-turkeys-and-breeders.

Poultry (layers) – the Code Development Committee will meet again in September. Numerous sub-committee teleconferences have also been held. A summary from the June meeting is available at www.nfacc.ca/progress-report-layers.

Rabbits – the Code Development Committee met in early September. A summary of the meeting will soon be available at www.nfacc.ca/progress-report-rabbit.

Veal Calves – the Code Development Committee had their second meeting in July. A summary of the meeting is available at www.nfacc.ca/progress-report-veal-calves. The next meeting is scheduled for October. Numerous teleconferences have also been held.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR A WEBINAR FEATURING DR. DAVID FRASER

NFACC will be hosting a webinar featuring Dr. Fraser presenting on the theme “A Professional Model for animal agriculture to secure animal welfare and build public trust”. This one hour (including Q & A) NFACC webinar will be November 9 at 1:00 p.m. (Eastern). Farm Management Canada (FMC) is facilitating the webinar. Registration opens October 15, there is no cost to participate but registration is required. Watch for another announcement when registration opens.



Subsequent to the event Dr. Fraser’s webinar will be available at www.agriwebinar.com. It will also be available on the “soon-to-be-live” NFACC YouTube channel.



CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS - CFHS NATIONAL ANIMAL WELFARE CONFERENCE 2016

The Canadian Federation of Humane Societies (CFHS) has opened the call for abstracts and is inviting proposal submissions. The conference is scheduled for April 16-19, 2016 in Toronto. Deadline for abstracts is September 30, 2015. More information and submission guidelines are available at http://cfhs.ca/info/national_animal_welfare_conference_1/.

SAYING GOODBYE TO A SPECIAL NFACC TEAM MEMBER

NFACC is losing a key member of its contract team. Mikki Shatosky has been the first point of contact for many when reaching out to NFACC. Mikki’s technical skills and innovative style enabled NFACC to develop a leading edge public comment process for the Codes of Practice. She developed the consistent look and feel for NFACC communications and supported all the Code development committees and secretaries in each successful Code update. Mikki will be transitioning out of her position over the next few months.

Her varied skillset made developing a contract ad for her replacement quite the challenge! If you know someone who is up to the task, have them reply to our contract ad at www.nfacc.ca/news?articleid=251.

All the best in your future endeavours Mikki!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Visit www.nfacc.ca for more information and links to the following events:

- **Canadian Meat Council / Canadian Poultry and Egg Processors Council 2015 Technical Symposium, “Advancements in Livestock and Poultry Health and Welfare in the Supply Chain”**
October 1 - 2, Toronto, Ontario
www.cmc-cvc.com/en/events/2015-technical-symposium
NFACC’s General Manager is presenting on progress and emerging issues on the Codes of Practice for the care and handling of farm animals.
- **Canadian Food and Drink Summit 2015**
October 26 - 27, 2015, Toronto, Ontario
www.conferenceboard.ca/conf/foodsummit/default.aspx
NFACC’s General Manager is participating in the breakout session, “Consultation on Animal Welfare Practices in Canada”, which is taking place on Monday, October 26, 2015 from 3:00-4:00 pm.
- **Crisis Communications Discussion Forum, Alberta Farm Animal Care**
October 28, 2015, Calgary, Alberta
www.eventbrite.com/e/crisis-communications-discussion-forum-tickets-17622292752
- **National Farmed Animal Health and Welfare Council Forum**
November 23 - 24, Ottawa Ontario
www.ahwcouncil.ca

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