

SEPTEMBER 23 & 24, 2025

INFINITY CONVENTION CENTRE OTTAWA, ON

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

(Some items subject to change)

DAY 1 – SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

1 pm Opening Remarks

1:15 pm Keynote: 15 years of collaborative evolution

Speaker: Kim McConnell

2:15 pm The public-private partnership at World Organisation for Animal Health:

Success and challenges.

To demonstrate the strategic importance of public-private partnerships in achieving Canada's animal health goals. The session will offer a national or international perspective, best practices, and practical recommendations to strengthen AHC's position as a trusted national coordinator in Canada's animal

health environment.

3:45 pm 15 Years of Progress: Reflecting on AHC's Journey and Looking Ahead

John Kelly, OMAFA, and Industry speaker TBD,

5:30 pm Wine & Cheese cocktail hour and AHC Awards Ceremony

8 p.m. Awards evening ends

DAY 2 - SEPTEMBER 24, 2024

7:30 am **Networking Breakfast** 8:30 am **Opening Remarks**

840 am Crossroads of Animal and Public Health: Responding to HPAI

Facilitator: Dr. Murray Gillies, Interim CAHSS Division Director

- HPAI in Dairy cattle, presented by producer (TBD)
- Present on human health side (speaker TBD)
- How Canada is handling the emerging disease Genevieve Toupin

10:00 am **BREAKOUT SESSION** Facilitator: Dr. Murray Gillies, Canadian Animal Health Surveillance System **Division Director** To discuss lessons learned from HPAI in Dairy Cattle and how to apply to FMD work. 11:00 am **Outbreak Support Network presentation** Discuss recommendations to improve support for producers and private veterinarians involved in a federally reportable disease investigation. Dr. Betty Althouse 1:00 -2:15 pm Challenges and successes of implementing a new Code Facilitator: Jackie Wepruk, National Farm Animal Care Council Division Director Egg Farmers of Canada - Shuqi Ren, Program & Policy Analyst • Dairy Farmers of Canada - Melissa Moggy, BScAg, DVM, MSc, Manager, Sustainable Production • Canada Mink Breeders Association - Catherine Moores, Executive Secretary 2:45 pm Include Motivation and Behaviour Change when Improving Animal Health • Jolanda Jansen, PhD MSc, St Anna Advies End-of-day Keynote: Takeaways on the importance of working together 3:45 pm Steve Roche, ACER Consulting

4:15 pm

Closing remarks