



Agenda

ANIMAL HEALTH CANADA FORUM '24

COORDINATION, COLLABORATION, COMMUNICATION  **ACTION!**

*Creating a cohesive, functional, and responsive
farmed animal health and welfare system in Canada*

DAY 1 – OCTOBER 8, 2024 (1 PM to 7 PM)

IN-PERSON REGISTRATION OPENS AT 12 PM, LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

1:00 pm	Opening Remarks — Colleen McElwain, Animal Health Canada, Executive Director
1:15 pm	Keynote speaker — Dr. Jude Kong, Canadian Research Chair in Community-Oriented AI and Mathematical Modelling of Infectious Disease
2:15 pm	Canadian Animal Health Surveillance System update (CAHSS): Why it matters and what we've accomplished — Dr. Doris Leung, CAHSS Division Director
2:45 pm	BREAK
3:15 pm	Emergency Management update — Erica Charlton, Emergency Management Division Director
3:30 pm	Panel discussion ASF EMB model — Facilitated by Erica Charlton, Panelists: Dr. Egan Brockhoff, Veterinary Counsellor, Canadian Pork Council; Cindy Trask, Vice President, African Swine Fever Planning and Preparedness, Maple Leaf Foods; & Colleen Barnes, past Vice-President, Policy and Programs, Canadian Food Inspection Agency
4:45 pm	Closing Remarks — Colleen McElwain, Animal Health Canada, Executive Director
4:50 pm	End

5:00 – 7:00 PM, ANIMAL HEALTH CANADA AWARDS CEREMONY - WINE & CHEESE



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DAY 2 – OCTOBER 9, 2024 (8:30 AM to 4:30 PM)

BREAKFAST WILL BE AVAILABLE TO FORUM ATTENDEES

8:30 am	Shared greetings from the Government of Canada – Robert Ianaro, Vice-President, Policy and Programs, Canadian Food Inspection Agency; Dr. Donald Sheppard, Vice-President, Infectious Diseases and Vaccination Programs Branch, Public Health Agency of Canada; Tom Rosser, Assistant Deputy Minister, Market and Industry Services, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada.
8:45 am	Minding the Gaps: Addressing Research Needs for our Codes of Practice – Dr. Tina Widowski, Professor of Animal Biosciences at the University of Guelph
9:45 pm	National Farm Animal Care Council (NFACC) update – Jackie Wepruk, BA (Psych), MEdes, NFACC Division Director
10:15 am	BREAK
10:45 am	Encouraging Behaviour Change that Supports Best Practices for Animal Health and Welfare – Dr. Katherine Koralesky, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Animal Welfare Program & Dr. Caroline Ritter, Assistant Professor and Canada Research Chairs, Atlantic Veterinary College
12:00 pm	LUNCH
1:00 pm	The Centre for Agricultural Wellbeing's toolkit for managing mental health during agricultural emergencies – Dr. Briana Hagan, Chief Executive Officer and Lead Scientist for the Canadian Centre for Agricultural Wellbeing
1:45 pm	Solving the Puzzle: Inclusive Indigenous Science, Worldviews and Distinction at CFIA – Josiahs Cook, Senior Science Policy Advisor, Canada Food Inspection Agency
2:30 pm	BREAK
3:00 pm	Supporting Farmed Animal Health through Research and Training – Jeffery Wichtel, Deans Council - Agriculture, Food and Veterinary Medicine, and Dean of the Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph
3:30 pm	Panel: resource sharing, mutual aid agreements and training opportunities to support emergency preparedness – Ian Alexander, Co-Director, National Issues, Canadian Veterinary Medical Association; Jim Montgomery, CEO & President, Canadian Disaster Response Organization; Shawna Bruce, M.D. Bruce & Associates, Risk and Crisis Communications, Emergency Public Information & Media Training
4:30 pm	Closing remarks – Colleen McElwain, AHC Executive Director



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