



The Dairyland Initiative Workshops

Feb. 26 & 27, 2020 • Milwaukee, WI

After the Audit: On-Farm Improvements to Enhance Dairy Cattle Welfare and Optimize Performance

Wednesday & Thursday, Feb. 26 & 27 • 15.30 CE credits

In response to the growing number of dairy cattle welfare audits in the United States, **Dr. Nigel Cook, Dr. Jennifer Van Os, and Courtney Halbach** will combine lectures, discussions, and group work to provide practical and economical on-farm improvements to participants who are looking to improve welfare audit results, optimize performance, and address consumer concerns about animal care. Barn design and management strategies such as calf raising, adult cow ventilation and cooling, stall design and surface, and hoof health management will be discussed to improve animal well-being on-farm.

Participants **must bring a computer** that runs **Microsoft Excel** to partake in the group exercises.

Thanks to the generous support of Saputo Inc., all U.S. dairy farmers are eligible for a 25% discount on registration for this workshop.

After the Audit: Day 1 Wednesday, Feb. 26		After the Audit: Day 2 Thursday, Feb. 27	
8:30 am	Registration opens	7:45 am	Meeting room opens
9:00 am	Introduction and overview of workshop	8:00 am	Lecture: Ventilation options and challenges
9:10 am	Group activity	9:30 am	Introduction to the Adult Cow Ventilation Spreadsheet tool
9:30 am	Lecture: Current and future challenges of dairy cattle welfare	9:45 am	Group work: Design a ventilation system
10:30 am	Break	10:15 am	Break
10:45 am	Lecture: Pair and group raising strategies to optimize calf well-being and growth	10:30 am	Lecture: Costs and challenges of different ventilation systems
11:30 am	Group work: Troubleshoot a herd's ability to adopt pair-raising strategies	11:00 am	Group work and discussion
12:30 pm	Lunch (provided)	11:45 am	Lunch (provided)
1:30 pm	Lecture: Sick and down cows	12:45 pm	Lecture: Cow cooling options
2:00 pm	Lecture: Stall surface and design	1:45 pm	Lecture: Lameness issues and prevention
3:15 pm	Break	2:15 pm	Lecture: Flooring
3:30 pm	Group work: Stall design - use it or lose it?	2:30 pm	Group exercise: Do's and don'ts of flooring
4:30 pm	Introduction to the Stall Conversion Partial Budget Tool	3:00 pm	Break
5:15 pm	Conclude	3:15 pm	Lecture: Footbath design and hoof trimming strategies
		3:45 pm	Group exercise: Identify the trimming problem
		4:15 pm	Concluding remarks
		4:30 pm	Adjourn

**Schedules subject to change*



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Location

[Hilton Milwaukee City Center](#)

509 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53203

The Hilton Milwaukee City Center is one of Milwaukee's most vibrant downtown hotels, conveniently located to many of Milwaukee's favorite attractions. Click [here](#) for driving directions from your location or the airport. Airport shuttle service is available for \$16 per way.

Lodging

Participants are responsible for making their own lodging arrangements, if needed. Lodging is available at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center. A block of rooms is being held for workshop participants until January 26, 2020. Single occupancy rooms are available for a discounted rate of \$120. Call 414-935-5940 and use the reference code "University of Wisconsin" to receive this special rate. Other local accommodations can be found at www.visitmilwaukee.org.

Registration, transportation & accommodation questions may be directed to:

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REGISTRATION FORM

Registration is limited to 70 people

Workshop	Registration Fee
After the Audit (Feb. 26 & 27)	\$535*

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Company: _____

Address, Street/PO Box: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

Email: _____

VETERINARY PROFESSIONALS: Check here if you would like to receive continuing education credit for attending these sessions (15.30 CE credits).

***U.S. dairy farmers can register for the discounted rate of \$400.**

Check here if you are a U.S dairy farmer.

Register online or by phone, fax, or postal mail



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Amount to be Charged: \$ _____ Exp. Date: _____

Cancellations/Refunds: We reserve the right to cancel the workshop due to insufficient enrollment 1 week prior to the start of the workshop. In case of cancellation due to insufficient enrollment, registration fees will be refunded in full. Participants whose cancellations are received up to 10 days prior to the program will be refunded 80% of the program fee. Cancellations received less than 10 days prior to the program will be refunded 50% of the fee. NO refunds for failure to attend without notification.

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