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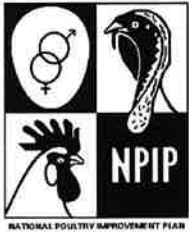
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To: Official State Agencies and NPIP Family

Re: 45th NPIP Biennial Conference Registration

The 45th Biennial Conference of the National Poultry Improvement Plan will be held August 25-27, 2020 at the Omni Providence Hotel in Providence, RI. I encourage you to mark your calendars, arrange your travel, and reserve your hotel room. Registration for the conference is now open via the following link:

<https://fs27.formsite.com/capoultryfederation/45thBiennialconference/index.html>

Through this link, you may also book your hotel room at the Omni Providence Hotel. Rooms are available starting at \$157.00 per night. The deadline to take advantage of this rate offered through the hotel's reserved room block for this event is **July 23, 2020**.

Those of you who attended the 123rd USAHA/62nd AAVLD Annual Meeting in Providence, RI, last October may have gotten a sneak peek at the venue and the surrounding area. I hope that you are looking forward to returning. For those who have not visited the Omni Providence Hotel, a glimpse from their website offers this description:

"For those in search of the spirit of the city, Omni Providence Hotel places you within reach of all the best that Providence has to offer. With a premier downtown location, you will find yourself within walking distance of the city's main college campuses, historic attractions, gourmet restaurants, upscale shopping, entertainment and more. The hotel is connected to the Rhode Island Convention Center, Dunkin' Donuts Center and Providence Place Mall, making it the ideal destination for business and pleasure."

The tentative schedule at a glance is provided below to assist your planning needs. In the coming weeks and months, more agenda details will become available on the NPIP website, as will more specifics about our conference catered events. The NPIP plans to include a reception, dinner, awards luncheon, breakfast and coffee breaks throughout the conference and wishes to thank our sponsors for providing generous donations. These opportunities for refreshment and fellowship are made possible only through bountiful contributions from our sponsors, and the NPIP family is grateful for that continued support.

August 25th: Technical Committee meeting; General Conference Committee meeting

August 26th: General Session; Subpart Committee meetings

August 27: Closing Session; Voting on Proposals

Finally, I encourage you to submit proposed changes to be considered at the conference **no later than March 25, 2020**. Following receipt and compilation, the proposed changes will be available by May 26, 2020, for review prior to the conference.

I look forward to seeing you all in Rhode Island!

Sincerely,

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