



Animal Care & Handling Conference

October 17-18, 2019

Kansas City, MO

Thursday, October 17, 2019

6:30 am – 5:00 pm **Registration**

6:30 – 7:45 am **Breakfast**

6:45 – 7:45 am **Pre-Conference Sessions**

Beef and Pork Track	Poultry Track
The ABCs of Animal Handling <i>Temple Grandin, Ph.D., Grandin Livestock Handling Systems, Colorado State University</i>	The ABCs of Poultry Handling <i>Dallas Wynn, Sr. Manager of Animal Wellbeing, Tyson Foods</i>

7:45 – 8:00 am **Break**

8:00 – 8:05 am **Welcome and Introductions**
Jason McAlister, Director of Animal Welfare, Triumph Foods and Ashley Lembke, Director of QA & Food Safety, American Foods Group, NAMI Animal Welfare Committee Co-Chairs

8:05 – 8:20 am **Trust in Animal Protein**
Eric Mittenthal, Vice President of Sustainability, NAMI

8:20 – 9:20 am **The Architecture of Stories That Change Hearts and Minds**
Vance Crowe, Communications Strategist, Articulate Ventures, LLC

9:20 – 10:15 am **Understanding Customer Needs in Animal Welfare**
Paige Hartley, Director, Total Quality, Darden Restaurants

10:15 – 10:30 am **Break**

10:30 – 11:30 am **The Five Freedoms: Where Are We Today?**
Cassandra Tucker, PhD, Professor, Director of the Center for Animal Welfare, Department of Animal Science, University of California

11:30 – 12:00 pm **FAQ: NAMI’s Animal Handling Guidelines**
Panelists: Paula Alexander, Animal Welfare Manager, Tyson Foods, Jason McAlister, Triumph Foods, Jennifer Woods, Owner, J. Woods Livestock Services
Moderator: Tiffany Lee, DVM, Ph.D., Director of Scientific and Regulatory Affairs, NAMI

- 12:00 – 1:15 pm** **Networking Lunch**
- 1:15 – 1:30 pm** **Break**
- 1:30 – 2:00 pm** **FSIS Policy and Enforcement Update**
Dr. Quita Bowman-Blackwell, Humane Handling Enforcement Coordinator, Food Safety Inspection Service, USDA
- 2:00 – 3:00 pm** **Tips for Addressing Regulatory Actions for Animal Welfare**
Roya Galindo, Director, Regulatory Services, NAMI and Tiffany Lee, NAMI
Panelists: Duane Eichenlaub, Quality Assurance Manager, Nicholas Meat LLC, Jason McAlister, Triumph Foods, Brenden McCullough, VP Technical Services, National Beef Packing
- 3:00 – 3:15 pm** **Break**
- 3:15 – 5:15 pm** **Concurrent Sessions**

Pork and Beef Track	Management Track	Poultry Track
<p>3:15- 4:30 pm Stunning and Determining Insensibility</p> <p><i>Temple Grandin, Ph.D., Grandin Livestock Handling Systems, Colorado State University</i></p> <p>4:30 – 5:15 pm Stunner Maintenance and Demonstration</p> <p><i>Chuck Bildstein, Product Specialist, Bunzl</i></p>	<p>3:15 – 4:15 pm Creating and Implementing a Robust Systematic Approach</p> <p><i>Rob Elder, Sr. Director FSQA/Regulatory Compliance, Seaboard Triumph Foods and Ashley Lembke, American Foods Group</i></p> <p>4:15-5:15 pm Conducting Internal Audits on Your Robust Systematic Approach</p> <p><i>Lacey Alexander, North American Beef Welfare Lead, Cargill, and Jennifer Woods, J. Woods Livestock Services</i></p>	<p>3:15 – 4:00 pm Controlled Atmosphere Stunning for Poultry Processing</p> <p><i>Dianna Bourassa, Ph.D., Assistant Professor/Extension Specialist, Poultry Processing, Department of Poultry Science, Auburn University</i></p> <p>4:00 – 4:45 pm Implementing an Internal Audit Program in Poultry Processing</p> <p><i>Kathleen Long, Vice President, Animal Care, Maple Leaf Foods</i></p> <p>4:45- 5:15 pm Hot Topics in Poultry Welfare: Enrichments, Lighting, and Slow Growing Breeds</p> <p><i>Chantal LeBlanc, Senior Specialist, Animal Welfare, Maple Leaf Foods</i></p>

5:15 – 6:45 pm **Welcome Reception & Exhibits**

Friday, October 18, 2019

7:00 – 8:00 am Breakfast

8:00 – 9:00 am NAMI Member Bullet Session: Advances in Animal Handling

- Bruise Detection in cows with Infrared Thermography, *Ashlynn Kirk, University of Wisconsin-River Falls*
- Captive Bolt Stunning Location and Tissue Measurements in Pigs, *Karly Anderson, University of Wisconsin-River Falls*
- Air Prod Solution, *Jeremy Burr, Plant Slaughter Manager, Cargill*
- Escaped Cattle Solution, *Sammy Renteria, Plant General Manager, Cargill*
- Animat Flooring in Lairage, *Paula Alexander, Manager, Animal Welfare, Tyson*
- Using Brushes in Lairage for Enrichment, *Paula Alexander, Manager, Animal Welfare, Tyson*

9:00 – 9:15 am Break

9:15 – 10:45 am Concurrent Sessions

Transportation Track	Management Track
<p>9:15 – 9:45 am</p> <p>Canada's Health of Animals Regulations (HAR) Transportation Update</p> <p><i>Jennifer Woods, J. Woods Livestock Services</i></p> <p>9:45 – 10:45 am</p> <p>Transportation Initiatives: Successes and Challenges</p> <p><i>Loren Fruhwirth, National Sales Manager, Merritt Trailers</i> <i>Courtney Daigle, Assistant Professor, Animal Welfare, Department of Animal Science, Texas A&M AgriLife</i> <i>Bryan Hay, Senior Manager, Hog Logistics & Animal Welfare, Maple Leaf Foods</i> <i>Jeff Hill, Animal Welfare Specialist, Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions</i></p>	<p>9:15 – 10:45 am</p> <p>Fact or Fiction: Lessons in Animal Behavior and Handling</p> <p><i>Lily Edwards-Callaway, Assistant Professor of Animal Sciences, Colorado State University and Kurt Vogel, Associate Professor, Animal and Food Science, University of Wisconsin River Falls, Chuck Bildstein, Product Specialist, Bunzl</i></p>

10:45 – 11:00 am Break

11:00 – 12:00 pm Communicating with Producers and Livestock Markets for Continuous Improvement in Animal Welfare

Kristen Parman, Vice President Membership Services, Livestock Marketing Association and Josh White, Executive Director, Producer Education, NCBA

12:00 pm Adjourn