



2021 Virtual Dairy Cattle Welfare Symposium:
Promoting dairy cattle welfare and ethics through science and implementation of best practices
Dates & Times: May 25th – 27th 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM Eastern Daylight Time



TUESDAY, MAY 25th – DAY 1

11:00 – 11:05 **Welcome & Opening Remarks** (*Dr. Meggan Hain, DCWC president*)

11:05 – 12:05 Animal Empathy and the Ethical Upshot (*Dr. Christine Webb, Harvard Univ*)

12:05 – 12:35 Cow-Calf Contact in Dairy Production: Past, Present and Future Aspects (*Dr. Julie Føske Johnsen, Norwegian Veterinary Institute*)

12:35 – 1:05 Global conversations and the available science on topic of cow calf separation: Are we prepared to talk about this issue? (*Dr. Nina von Kesyrling, Univ of British Columbia*)

1:05 – 1:35 Producer Perspective (*Charles Ellett, Gatehouse of Fleet Scotland*)

1:35 – 2:00 **Roundtable Discussion & Polling** (*moderator, speakers, participants*)

2:00 – *Adjourn for the day*

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26th – DAY 2

11:00 – 11:40 Timely Euthanasia – Why it Matters and Why We Fail (*Dr. Jen Walker, Danone North America*)

11:40 – 12:20 Euthanasia On-Farm - Making Timely Decisions (*Dr. Victoria Merenda, North Carolina State Univ*)

12:20 – 12:50 **Roundtable Discussion & Polling** (*moderator, speakers, participants*)

12:50 – 2:00 Welfare Implications of Supply Chain Disruption (*Dr. Jeremy Marchant-Forde, USDA Agricultural Research Service*)

2:00 *Adjourn for the day*

THURSDAY, MAY 27th – DAY 3

11:00 – 12:30 Animal Welfare Assessment Workshop (*Dr. Sharon Kuca, AVMA*)

12:30 – 2:00 Moooving Media: Utilizing Podcasts to Educate and Entertain (*Dr. Karen Waite, Michigan State Univ; Dr. Kris Hiney, Oklahoma State Univ; & Dr. Betsy Greene, Univ of Arizona*)

2:00 **Closing Remarks & Adjourn** (*Lindsay Ferlito, DCWS Program Committee Chair & Dr. Meggan Hain, DCWC president*)



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REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Join us for a 3-day virtual symposium covering dairy cattle welfare from the beginning to the end. Bringing together dairy farmers, veterinarians, consultants, universities, and the dairy community for learning and discussion to continue to improve the well-being and health of dairy cattle and the ability and fulfillment of farmers and their staff.

Continuing education credit to be approved by OVMLB (for veterinarians), ARPAS, PAACO, and The FARM Program.

3-Day Symposium:

- \$50 per person
- Payment by Credit Card using Eventbrite:

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