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TO: South Dakota Licensed Accredited Veterinarians

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RE: Exhibition Poultry

Poultry exhibited at County Fairs, Achievement Days, and the South Dakota State Fair represent the best of the best – the healthiest and finest in the area. As the Fair/Show season nears here are some things to be aware of concerning exhibition poultry.

A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) must accompany the poultry and be presented to the management of the exhibition.

Exhibition poultry must:
- Originate from a pullorum typhoid clean source
  OR
- Be tested negative for pullorum disease within 90 days prior to exhibition

How to verify pullorum clean sources:
1. Official documentation including a CVI, a VS Form 9-3 (with the National Poultry Improvement Plan emblem on it) or a South Dakota Intrastate Report of Sales of Hatching Eggs, Chicks, and Poults
2. Producer has a SD Poultry Hatchery or Chick Store license
3. Test reports – VS Form 9-2 or laboratory reports
4. Call Dr. Todd Tedrow at the SD Animal Industry Board (605)773-3321

Some suggestions when completing CVIs for exhibition poultry:
- Always refer to the exhibition requirements for specific health and identification requirements. The State Fair Premium books may be accessed on-line at: http://www.sdstatefair.com/competitive-events/livestock
- Thoroughly examine all poultry within 30 days of arrival
- Obtain a thorough flock health history
- Record Pullorum status or test information
- Properly complete the CVI

We appreciate your role in animal health for all livestock exhibitions including poultry. Everybody wins when all exhibited animals arrive healthy, stay healthy, and go home healthy.