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Happy Holidays from the Johne's Team!

We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season.



2010 Reimbursement Applications and 2009 Invoices

Deadline February 1, 2010

February 1, 2010 is rapidly approaching. Remember to have your clients submit their invoices for 2009 and Reimbursement Applications for 2010 as soon as they can.

February 1, 2010 is also the deadline for producers to submit 2009 Reimbursement Applications, if they have not already done so, to be eligible to receive residual funding - if available. They will need to submit their 2009 invoices as well.

Follow the links below to go to each application:

- [2009 Reimbursement Application](#)
- [2010 Reimbursement Application](#)

Johne's Disease: Take It On!

New Video Produced for Producers

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, together with the University of Wisconsin-School of Veterinary Medicine, USDA-APHIS-VS, and Johne's disease Integrated Program (JDIP), have created a video to increase producers' awareness of Johne's disease.

The video was prepared with the help of producers to highlight to other producers the benefits of a Johne's disease control program.

Encourage your clients to visit the Johne's Information Center at www.johnes.org where they can view the video to see what other producers have to say about their Johne's disease control programs. You can also view the video directly on [YouTube](#) by clicking here.

Updated Johne's Disease Forms are here!

New online and paper forms now available!

We are pleased to announce updated Johne's forms are now available at [Johne's Disease Online Services](#) for online renewal!

We encourage you to try Johne's Disease Online Services the next time you renew a risk assessment and management plan (RAMP) or split herd plans. Remember, Johne's vaccination reports can also be submitted online.



Thank you for your patience as we worked to improve this service. Your feedback will continue to be important.

Veterinarians can also access updated paper copies of the Johne's forms at [Johne's Disease Online Services](#). Please use these updated forms when performing new and renewal RAMPs.

Laboratory Submission Forms for Johne's Testing

When submitting samples for Johne's testing, be sure to indicate the **purpose of the test** and the **official individual identification** on the submission form.

The **purpose of the test** is important so that producers interested in classifying their herds have all eligible test results included in their classification testing. Marking the form at the time of submission will minimize your time later in verifying the reason for the test.

The **official individual identification** needs to be included for every animal tested for Johne's disease. See [ATCP Chapter 10](#) - specifically 10.01 (70)(71), 10.03, 10.04, 10.15, 10.21.

The official individual identification needs to uniquely identify each animal. Especially for those using breed association identification, only individual breed tattoo, registration numbers, and freeze brands, acknowledged by the breed associations to uniquely identify an individual animal in their membership qualify.

Most breed tattoos are only unique to a specific farm. However, if these tattoos can be correlated with a breed registration number, they can be accepted as long as we receive a written list of the tatoos and their corresponding

registration numbers.

Official individual identification for bovine animals includes:

- Official eartag number (official Wisconsin identification tag, the official USDA Wisconsin vaccination tag)
- Breed association tattoo
- Breed association registration number
- Registration freeze brand number
- Microchip
- Other identification approved by the Department

If identification does not appear to meet these requirements, you may be asked to provide additional information OR another form of official identification.

Please feel free to contact us at DATCPJohnes@wi.gov or 608-224-4893 with any questions about the Wisconsin Johne's Disease Control Program or suggestions for future newsletters.

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