



REGULATORY VETERINARY CONTINUING EDUCATION



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Why regulatory veterinarians matter	Mr. Steve Koch, as Executive Director of the National Thoroughbred Safety and Integrity Alliance, participates in the evaluation of regulatory veterinary activities around the country and can discuss concerns that arise when there are inconsistencies among the Racing Veterinarians across and within racing jurisdictions. His presentation provides background materials and objectives for the meeting
What do Regulatory Veterinarians Need to Know?	Dr. Mary Scollay, Equine Medical Director for the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission, is the primary interface between the public and the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission on issues of regulatory medicine. In this role, Dr. Scollay provides policy level guidance to the racing commission. She has served as a racing regulatory veterinarian since 1987. This presentation will provide an overview of the role of the regulatory veterinarian at the racetrack particularly as it concerns ethical issues, interactions with stakeholders, racing soundness through history, and the value of the pre-race inspection.
Pre-Race Exam Programs Across North American Jurisdictions	Dr. Dionne Benson is the Executive Director of the RMTC and works with regulatory veterinarians around the country providing guidance on matters ranging from medication regulation to pre-race examination protocols. She also works with the NTRA's Safety and Integrity Alliance performing reviews of regulatory veterinary activities at racetracks across North America. In her presentation she will review the various pre-race examination programs observed at tracks across North America in order to provide information on the disparate efforts and efficacy of various pre-race examination strategies.
Pre-Race Examination Panel Discussion	Dr. Larry Bramlage (moderator) and the panelists (Dr. Scollay; Dr. Michael Hardy, a Commission Veterinarian for the Indiana Racing Commission and Indiana Grand Racing and Casino; Dr. Scott Hay, racetrack practitioner and partner in Tiegland, Franklin, and Brokken based in Florida who performs racing soundness examinations for clients and has worked with numerous regulatory veterinarians; and Dr. Tim Grande, Official Veterinarian for the California Horse Racing Board with responsibility for pre-race examinations at California race tracks) will discuss different considerations for regulatory veterinarians when performing the pre-race examination. Included in the discussion: the incorporation of statistical risk factors in reviewing the race horse; use of computer programs to aid in collection /information sharing; record keeping; and successfully interacting with practicing veterinarians to benefit racehorse health and safety.
Implementing Incompass in the Field	Ms. Kristen Leshney, Esq. and Ms. Cathy O'Meara work for The Jockey Club on data management and industry initiatives and will provide information regarding the data interfaces available at no cost to Racing Regulatory Veterinarians including data acquisition options, tracking of exam findings, and data available for review at the pre-race exam. Dr. Hardy will present a user's perspective on the Jockey Club / Incompass Pre-race Exam Module citing personal experience with respect to the value of historical exam data in the pre-race exam.
Pre-Race Examination in the Shedrow	Participants will perform mock pre-race exams on racehorses stabled at Keeneland. The Regulatory Veterinarians will be assigned to small groups and have the opportunity to consult on the interpretation and recording of exam findings—harmonizing terminology to allow for accurate interpretation of others' exam findings. Following the exams, attendees will reconvene in the meeting room to discuss findings between groups and further harmonize the exam process.

Medication Regulation at the Racetrack	Dr. Benson will discuss the philosophical foundation for and the process for development of medication regulations for the racetrack, how that information is beneficial to the Regulatory Veterinarian, and how to most effectively communicate withdrawal guidance recommendations to private practitioners to promote compliance and avoid treatment errors.
New Model Rules Affecting the Regulatory Veterinarian	Mr. Koch will provide information to the Regulatory Veterinarians on recently adopted ARCI Model Rules, the impetus for the regulations, and the impact the regulations may have on their regulatory duties.
Raceday: What is the Worst that Could Happen?	Dr. Lynn Hovda, Chief Veterinarian for the Minnesota Racing Commission with over 20 years' experience will provide an overview of events that may be encountered by the racetrack regulatory veterinarian, includes the injury or sudden death of a racehorse, the impact of environmental conditions on equine health, preparedness for equine emergencies on and off the racing surface.
The Order of the Raceday and Official Veterinarian Procedures	The panelists (Dr. Jeff Blea, a racetrack practitioner in California and past president of the AAEP; Dr. Lynn Hovda; Dr. Christy Klatt, assistant Commission Veterinarian for the Minnesota and Arkansas Racing Commissions; and Dr. Greg Taylor, former racing regulatory veterinarian for the province of Ontario) will discuss lessons learned, and successful and unsuccessful strategies in responding to equine emergencies occurring from the walk over to exiting the racetrack after unsaddling.
Raceday Emergency Medications	Dr. John Hubbell, a Board-certified veterinary anesthesiologist at Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital. His presentation will provide practical guidance to Regulatory Veterinarians on the appropriate selection, dose, and application use of emergency medications under field conditions.
Giving the Injured Racehorse the Best Chance at the Best Outcome	Dr. Alan Ruggles, Board Certified Veterinary Surgeon at Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital will discuss the on-track emergency response to orthopedic injuries, the Regulatory Veterinarian's impact on prognosis when the horse is sent to a surgical referral facility; and offer strategies to provide an affected horse with the best possible outcomes.
Equine Injury Database Update	Dr. Tim Parkin, Head of the Division of Equine Clinical Sciences and Senior lecturer in Clinical Epidemiology at the University of Glasgow School of Veterinary Medicine, will provide insight into how Regulatory Veterinarians can use data from the Equine Injury Database to identify horses at increased risk of injury and how to use local or regional data to identify and mitigate site- or regionally-specific risk factors.
The Legal Ramifications of Chain of Custody	Mr. Brad Beilly, managing partner at Beilly & Strohsahl, P.A., Fort Lauderdale Florida, specializes in Equine Litigation. He has successfully revised chain of custody protocols in Florida to benefit the integrity of the testing process. He will present insight on how Regulatory Veterinarians can safeguard samples and maintain proper chain of custody to withstand the scrutiny of administrative proceedings.
Data: Beyond the Equine Injury Database	Dr. Rick Arthur, Equine Medical Director for the California Davis School of Veterinary Medicine, will discuss information beyond that included in the Equine Injury Database that Regulatory Veterinarians should consider collecting and how that data can be leveraged for the protection of the horse engaged in racing or training.
Racing Surface Data Valuable to the Regulatory Veterinarian	Dr. Michael Peterson, Director of Ag Equine Programs at the University of Kentucky and Executive Director of the Racing Surfaces Testing Laboratory (RSTL) will discuss the potential role of surface monitoring and management in improving the safety for racing horses. Limitations on data interpretation will also be discussed to allow veterinarians better understanding of the available data and how data relate to the relative safety of the racetrack.
Infectious Disease and Biosecurity at the Racetrack	Dr. Roberta Dwyer, University of Kentucky Professor specializing in veterinary preventative medicine will focus on the control of infectious disease and the role of the Racing Regulatory veterinarian in prompt detection and containment of contagious disease through the development of a comprehensive biosecurity plan in advance of any need



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