

Tentative Agenda

2026 Hatchery-Breeder Clinic

Tuesday, July 7

5:00 - 6:30 p.m. **Welcome Reception and Registration, Sponsored by**

Wednesday, July 8

8:30 a.m. Presiding: Sara Byrd, House of Raeford Farms
Orientation: LaShundra Littles, U.S. Poultry & Egg Association

Leadership / Operational Excellence

Bill Griffith, Peco Foods

9:00 a.m. **Pullet Brooding and Rearing**

David Swysgood, Aviagen

9:45 a.m. **Break**

10:00 a.m. **Feather Scoring**

Dr. Antonio Beitia, Aviagen

10:45 a.m. **Feeding Today's Hens and Pullets**

Dr. Benton Hudson, CSA Animal Nutrition

11:30 p.m. **Lunch, Sponsored by Zoetis**

1:00 p.m. Presiding: Josh Cannon, House of Raeford Farms

Hatchery Key Performance Indicators

Tommy Lively, Pilgrim's

1:45 p.m. **New Technology / Equipment for Breeder Houses**

A. Male Chain Feeder and Added Hen Feeder Space

B. Comfort Nests

Andrew Thompson, VAL-CO

3:15 p.m. **Break**

3:30 p.m. **New Technology / Equipment for Hatcheries**

A. Automated Gender Identification

Phil Hicks, Hatchery Planning Company

B. SetCare and HatchCare

Codie McKnight, HatchTech USA

5:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

Thursday, July 9

- 8:30 a.m. Presiding: Collin Powell, Peco Foods
Hatchery Cleaning Tools . . . Back to Basics
Dr. Kelly Sweeney, Novus International
- 9:15 a.m. **Why is Biosecurity Boring?**
Dr. Joel Cline, Wayne-Sanderson Farms
- 10:00 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 a.m. **Metapneumovirus Update**
Dr. Brian Jordan, Zoetis
- 11:00 a.m. **Egg Handling / Storage . . . Effects on Embryo**
Josie Gamble, Merck Animal Health
- 11:45 a.m. **Conclude**

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