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RE: Pullorum-Typhoid Testing for 2021 Indiana County and State Fair Exhibitions and Poultry Shows

TO: Indiana NPIP Exhibition Poultry Participants, Indiana County Poultry Superintendents, Indiana NPIP Blood Testers, Purdue University Extension Educators, poultry exhibitors, and interested parties

For the past two years, Indiana National Poultry Improvement Program (NPIP) Blood Testers experienced a shortage of Pullorum-Typhoid (P-T) antigen, which led the Indiana State Poultry Association (ISPA) to make the decision to waive the Salmonella pullorum and Salmonella typhoid (jointly referred to as P-T) testing requirement. With the exception of poultry coming into the state of Indiana from out of state, since March 1, 2020, poultry attending shows, exhibitions, county fairs, and the State Fair were not required to be tested for P-T.

Charles River, the company licensed to produce P-T Antigen, has increased their production of P-T antigen, and the ISPA has verified it is available for purchase through a number of retail poultry supply businesses. **For this reason, the ISPA has decided to reinstate the P-T testing requirement for poultry in Indiana, effective April 1, 2021.**

The Indiana P-T testing requirement states that ALL POULTRY shown at an Exhibition event, County Fair or the State Fair must have originated directly from an NPIP P-T certified clean flock within 1 (one) year prior to the date of the event or have had a negative P-T Test within 90 (ninety) days prior to the date of the event.

For additional information on Indiana's P-T testing requirement, please visit the ISPA's website at www.INpoultry.com.

In 1981, Indiana became an official U.S. P-T Clean state. Your continued adherence to proper biosecurity practices will help keep Indiana P-T free. For a review of common biosecurity practices, please visit the USDA [APHIS Defend the Flock Program](https://www.aphis.usda.gov/APHIS-Defend-the-Flock-Program) website.

Sincerely,

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