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GOLD STANDARDS

About the Gold Standards

The Gold Standards provides a framework for raising dairy calves and heifers, including research-based benchmarks, welfare and best management practices.

A passionate committee comprised of 15 members from across the United States, including calf and heifer raisers, allied industry professionals and academia worked to update the Gold Standards in 2016, previously revised in 2011. These industry leaders have brought their expertise and dedication to calf and heifer raising in this edition of the Gold Standards. This resource is the result of their tireless efforts, which will help drive the industry for years to come.

Dr. Sam Leadley, calf and heifer management specialist for Attica Veterinary Associates, Attica, NY, was actively involved on the committee and has put the Gold Standards into practice through his consulting work.

“At some point in every consulting relationship with clients we end up talking about the dairy’s goals for the calf enterprise,” says Leadley. “The production standards in the Gold Standards provide the framework for this conversation. I use the Gold Standards as a guide to keep the conversation on track in setting farm-specific performance goals.”

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The Gold Standards include all ages in one document with welfare and best management standards. It also contains quick visual information and design enhancements.

The Gold Standards are available to DCHA members only.

Why were the Gold Standards developed and by whom?

The DCHA Gold Standards reflect the latest industry standards for raising calves and heifers and are the result of a collaborative industry committee.

How are the Gold Standards used?

The Gold Standards establish calf and heifer raising benchmarks to set herd performance goals.

Additionally, the Gold Standards allow the industry to identify key areas for improvement, conduct training and implement plans to support the performance targets for individual farms.

Committee Members

Thank you to the Gold Standards Committee Members: Dr. Bob James, Dr. Sam Leadley, Dr. Sam Barringer, Katie Grinstead, Brian Wesemann, Larry Van Roekel, Marcie Feine, Amber Mirabal, Gary Geisler, Jim Leick, David Mathes, Dr. Rob Farrugio, Jamie Franken, Dr. Doug Hammon and Dr. Stuart Hall.

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