

# The Johne's Education Initiative

## Part 1

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# Objective

- To be an easily accessible source of reliable information about Johne's disease for producers and those who work with them
- To facilitate the exchange and expand the use of existing information
- Encourage and demonstrate producer interest in and use of Johne's control / management programs



# Bottom line

- How can we best provide the information and tools producers need to effectively deal with Johne's Disease?
- What are producers doing now? How can we assist?



# Activities

- [www.johnedisease.org](http://www.johnedisease.org) – Johne's Information Central
  - State links
  - Resources
  - NJWG information
- ADSA-ASAS Annual Meeting Johne's Section
- Producer press articles and contacts
- Work with other groups



# Opportunities

- Spanish language materials
- Information review and exchange
  - Review process, see me afterward
- Risk assessment and Handbook updates
  - USAHA printed a limited supply to meet existing demand
- “Johne’s and Beyond” update



# Opportunities

- Provide link to status herds
- Additional information
- International cooperation/coordination
- Work with other groups
  - JDIP – Extend their information
  - DQA – Include more Johne's info in program
  - PDHGA – Interested in programs



# Sample information

## Wisconsin

Total Dairy Herds 15,100      Cows 1,236,000

### Johne's activities - Dairy

New RA 1,011      Approved Plans 1,053      Control herds 1,041

Testing (04-05)

AGID	Herds	114	Cows	1,087	Pos	88
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CF	Herds	34	Cows	283	Pos	7
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ELS	Herds	6,885	Cows	380,639	Pos	30,024
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		46.6%		30.3%		
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Milk		Samples	6,826			
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# What we need

- Information
  - Updates on people, publications, programs
- Ideas
  - What is needed to help move forward
- Feedback
  - What do you like? What could we do better?
- Funding
  - Additional sources are needed
- Possible Advisory Committee

