

**Register by November 16th for the National Farmed Animal Health and Welfare Council Forum**

Join Canada's farmed animal health and welfare stakeholders as they unite for the **National Farmed Animal Health and Welfare Forum 2012 on December 4-5 in Ottawa, Ontario**. The focus of Forum 2012 will be collaborative mechanisms for managing the continuous enhancement of Canada's animal health and welfare system.

Hosted by the National Farmed Animal Health and Welfare (NFAHW) Council, participants in this initiative will help in determining next steps in the process of refining roles and relationships of partners in the system. The National Farmed Animal Health and Welfare Council identified "Governance" as a priority action item and have engaged the Institute on Governance to assist them in development of the topic.

The objectives of the Forum are to validate the findings and proposals from preliminary work done by the Institute on Governance and the Council. The Institute on Governance will facilitate the session and lead us to identification of next steps.

Forum 2012 will be held December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> in Ottawa, at the Courtyard Marriott Hotel, Byward Market. There is no cost to participate in this event, however participants are asked to register by Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. Attendees can be any stakeholders interested in farmed animal health and welfare in Canada including farmers, associations, veterinarians, agri-food businesses, academia and government. Join other industry leaders in the effort of ensuring Canada is recognized as a world leader in animal health and welfare. To register please complete the attached registration form.

*The Council was formed in 2010 with representation from animal health, animal welfare, and public health to provide advice on implementation of the National Farmed Animal Health and Welfare Strategy (2009) with a goal of enhancing Canada's animal health and welfare system within a consideration of One Health.*

*The Council is supported by stakeholders from industry, provincial governments (animal health and public health) and federal government (agriculture and public health). Council members are asked to be non-representational which, together with the broad experience, results in full consideration of topics in the process of developing advice.*

*The Canadian Animal Health Coalition is the secretariat for the (NFAHW) Council.*