



National Association of Animal Breeders

2020 NDHIA

Annual Meeting

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NAAB

- **BACK TO THE FUTURE**
- Prior to 2018, NAAB members had access to the system to assist producers with entering calving ease and health data.
- Access to the system to update this information was changed. This resulted in the reduction of data going into the database.
- Reported calving ease events declined as a result.

➤ Health Trait Evaluations

Due to financial reasons, some large producers discontinued using official DHIA testing.

Many moved to independent electronic milk recording systems, which could include robotic systems.

An increasing amount of data was being generated at the producer level but was not flowing into the system for genetic evaluations.

Valuable data was not being made available for genetic evaluations.

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➤ Health Trait Evaluations

CDCB was developing evaluations for health traits. These are low heritability traits and require more data points to improve reliability.

The need for more health events created an opportunity for NAAB member organizations to submit data from their cooperator herds.

NAAB members work closely with large herds to collect data and validate results.

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New Data Flow Workshop

Held in April 2019 in Columbus with CDCB Staff and key NAAB members.

Identified opportunities for NAAB members to submit data that is not currently in the system.

CDCB had to undergo a major programming update to differentiate the source of the data.

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- NAAB Members able to submit data.

In early 2020, we announced that NAAB members would be able to submit health information.

Must be NAAB Regular Members and Approved CDCB Nominator

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One NAAB member has already submitted a large quantity of records. Others are testing the waters.

Multiple organizations have asked about the logistics and time tables for submitting health data. The interest is expected to increase.

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