Cornell Cooperative Extension, ProDairy and QMPS will be offering a program this winter focusing on milk quality. Programs will be offered at several locations and will be available via live presentations and web conferencing.

One bulk tank sample and bedding sample per farm is included in the registration fee.
Program Topics

January 8th - What is Mastitis Costing your Farm?

- Analysis of Potential Lost Income.
- Mammary Physiology & the Basics of Mastitis Culturing.
- Importance of consistent milking protocols
- Knowing Your Mastitis Organisms.
- How to Take a Proper Milk or Bedding Sample for Culture.

Presenters:
Dr. Kimberley Morrill, PhD, CCE Regional Dairy Specialist.
Dr. Theresa Taraska, DVM, CCE Lewis County Dairy Specialist
Dr. Rick Watters, PhD, Quality Milk Production Service.

February 5th - Importance of Cow Comfort, Environment & Equipment Maintenance

- Overview on milk samples and bedding samples submitted from week one.
- Scoring Systems to Implement On-farm to Monitor Cleanliness and Teat Health - who should you score, how to score, why they are a good idea.
- Cow Comfort and its Impact on Quality Milk.
- Cow Comforts Impacts on the Immune System.
- Impact of Equipment Maintenance.

Presenters:
Curt Gooch, Agricultural Engineer, Cornell ProDairy Program
Dr. Jerry Bertoldo, DVM-NWNY Dairy Specialist.
Dr. Paul Virkler, DVM, Quality Milk Production Services
Dr. Rick Watters, PhD, Quality Milk Production Service.

March 5th Importance of Record Keeping for Mastitis Control.

- Economic Impact of Management Changes to Improve Milk Quality.
- Residues & Treatment Records - What and How to Keep these Important Records.
- Dairy Comp – The Value of Recordkeeping and How to Use Records to Monitor Milk Quality.
- Review of NYSCHAP Quality Milk Module

Presenters:
Dr. Michael Capel, DVM, Perry Vet Clinic
Dr. Dwight Bruno, DVM, New State Dept. of Ag and Markets.

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