

FOR DISCUSSION

NAHIP Advisory Committee Annual Meeting 2020

Agenda Item 3.1

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Reporting of Salmonella Enteritidis investigations**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the NAHIP Advisory Committee
 - a. **DISCUSS and PROVIDE DIRECTION** on reporting *Salmonella enteritidis* disease investigations in NAHIP

BACKGROUND

2. *Salmonella Enteritidis* (SE) is the most common cause of food borne salmonellosis in humans, predominantly through contaminated eggs. In most cases there are no clinical signs in the birds. Agriculture Victoria generally becomes involved following the detection of cases by the Department of Health and Human Services.

DISCUSSION

3. *Salmonella enteritidis* investigations involve significant tracing and testing of poultry properties, egg production facilities and transport vehicles.
4. Birds generally display no clinical signs of disease
5. Much of the on-farm surveillance involves salmonella testing of drag swabs, litter, egg machinery swabs etc; not birds directly.
6. There is often considerable re-testing of trace properties, should these investigations also be included.
7. Victoria seeks clarification on what SE surveillance data should be included in the National Notifiable Disease Investigation (NNDI) sheet of the NAHIP workbook

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. NA

CONSULTATION/COMMUNICATION

9. NA

NEXT STEPS/ACTIONS

10. Inclusion of the guidance in the workbook for future reference.