

ANNOUNCEMENT

Public Health Seattle & King County Zoonotic Disease Regulations – Stakeholder Meeting

At the January 21, 2010 the King County Board of Health meeting the Board passed the Zoonotic Disease Regulation - Rule & Regulation BOH 09-07. These regulations are part of the BOH Zoonotic Disease code that seeks to reduce the risk of disease transmission from animals to people in King County. See the complete text of the regulations and the amendment at <http://www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs/petregs>. On January 21st, the Board of Health passed an amendment that excludes from the regulations:

“...livestock auctions; and farm and ranch feed stores that sell baby poultry to commercial operations”

The purpose of the Zoonotic Disease regulations is to assure that animal-related businesses in King County are maintained in a sanitary manner and in accordance with environmental standards to control spread of disease from animals to people and promote animal health. The regulations also require that patrons of certain regulated businesses receive educational materials on zoonotic disease prevention.

The King County Board of Health and Public Health – Seattle and King County are holding a stakeholders meeting to obtain input on whether to retain or remove the amendment passed by the Board on January 21, 2010. This amendment excludes livestock auctions and farm and ranch stores selling baby poultry to commercial operations from the Public Health Zoonotic regulation.

Stakeholders Meeting on Poultry Amendment

Date: February 3, 2010

Time: 3 - 4:30 PM

Place: Chinook Building - Room 115 (1st floor)
401 5th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

If you are unable to attend a meeting, you may send comments to Public Health by mail, e-mail, fax or online.

Submit comments to:

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- **Online Comments:** <http://www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs/petregs>
- **FAX Comments:** 206-296-0189

Deadline for comments: February 17, 2010 by 5 PM