

**Virginia Conference of CASA
Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services Tour/Training
Thursday, August 14, 2008**

8:15 – 8:45 Registration

Conducting an Epidemiological Investigation
Speaker TBA, VA Dept. of Health, Epidemiology

Food Microbiology
Jennifer Sharp, Scientist Senior, DCLS

Food/Filth Chemistry Analyses/Contact Information
Janet Pruitt, Food Principal, DCLS

Chemical Terrorism
Dr. Tim Croley, Lead Scientist, DCLS

Bio-Terrorism Relating to Foods
Dr. Denise Toney, Lead Scientist, DCLS

MRSA-Hospital and Community Acquired Infections
Dr. Sandra Tallent, Emerging Infectious Disease Fellow, DCLS

Tour of DCLS labs, including Sample and Record Management, Metals &
Radiochemistry, Pesticides, Food Filth/Chemistry, Food Microbiology, Water Micro

Lunch (Provided...Select from 3 choices on registration page)

Conclude at approximately 4:00

Come join us for up-to-date training on testing done at DCLS as well as how to conduct an Epidemiological Investigation. This will include information on tying clinical specimens such as stool samples to the foods that are implicated. DCLS has served several years as one of a few regional labs in the nation to analyze samples from Chemical or Bio-Terrorism. Our speakers will let you know about our capacity and also what we have learned from our experience so far. You will also have an opportunity to tour our beautiful state-of-the-art facility. Feel free to invite others with your agency who might wish to attend.

Due to security measures at DCLS which require pre-approval for visitors and the need to order lunches a week ahead of time, it will be necessary to receive registrations by Thursday, August 7. Please have your agency/organization or other government issued ID with picture available when you arrive and enter through the main door on 5th Str. This tour/training is limited to the first 50 who register. DCLS # is 804-648-4480.

The DCLS laboratory is located at 600 N. 5th Street, which is just off the Interstate. The lab takes up the whole block between 4th and 5th and Leigh and Jackson Streets. Parking is available at Fifth and Marshall for ~\$13 per day, but may have an Early Bird rate of \$7 per day for entry before 9 AM. **Alternate lots** are located at Fifth and Broad; Third and Marshall; on 4th Street between Leigh and Jackson Streets (**"honor" park numbered spaces in the back, left portion near Leigh St.**), and at Jackson and 8th Streets (general public spaces toward the back.) The honor lots which require that correct change, either \$5 or \$4, into a slot corresponding with the number of the parking space. Therefore, you might wish to car-pool to the site.

**Registration Form
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Name _____

Agency/Org _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone Number _____

CASA Members.....\$20.00

Non-Members.....\$35.00

Mail Registration form to: Mr. Rick Barham
CASA Secretary-Treasurer
VA Dept of Agriculture and Consumer Services
1444 Diamond Springs Rd
Virginia Beach, VA 23455

Email: Rick.Barham@vdacs.virginia.gov

Boxed lunches will be catered by A Moveable Feast. Please choose one of the following lunches. Morning and afternoon breaks will also be provided.

_____ Tarragon Chicken Salad with grapes on Sourdough bread with lettuce & herb mayonnaise; Fresh Fruit Salad

_____ Baked Ham & Swiss on Rye with Dijon, herb mayonnaise, lettuce & tomato; Lemon Dill Potato Salad

_____ Meal Sized Caesar Chicken Salad with romaine and leaf lettuce, croutons, parmesan, tomato, sliced chicken, and Caesar dressing.