



United States Department of Agriculture
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Bird Health Awareness Week 2013

FEBRUARY 24 – MARCH 2, 2013

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The week of February 24 – March 2, 2013 is Bird Health Awareness Week

Activities and programs offered throughout the week will give students, bird lovers and poultry owners the opportunity to learn simple steps to keep their flocks healthy.

Bird Health Awareness Week is part of the USDA Animal and Plant Inspection Service's (APHIS) *Biosecurity For Birds* campaign to promote awareness of and ways to prevent the spread of infectious poultry diseases.

Free Webinar

Growing Chicks into Healthy Chickens: Getting Ready for Spring, Thursday, February 28, 2013, 2 p.m. EST. Get information and tips on raising healthy backyard poultry.

Learn:

- How to get your birds and equipment ready for spring
- What to look for when buying chicks to start or build your flock
- What are the best and most popular bird breeds
- How to keep your flock safe from predators and disease
- What are the signs of infectious diseases
- Where to find resources to help you



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Password: **Chickens**

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Cutest Chick Contest

Beginning March 1, we will introduce the *Cutest Chick* photo contest. With spring ushering in chick season, we invite you to submit photographs of your new baby birds, chicks and chickens. One winner will be chosen in each category each month for a four month period. Winners will be posted on our website and will be considered for our 2014 *Biosecurity For Birds*' calendar. [Click here to enter.](#)

Bird Health Awareness Week Partners

are invited to distribute email or printed flyers promoting the Growing Chicks into Healthy Chickens Webinar, and to encourage their members to participate.

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