

THE CHICK PAPERS

Georgia Poultry Laboratory Network's Monthly Newsletter



AAVLD Accredited, and It Feels SO GOOD!

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GPLN is proud to announce receiving AAVLD (American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians) full accreditation for 5 years!



What does this mean?

The AAVLD Accreditation is based on ISO 17025 requirements, which is a comprehensive laboratory inspection and accreditation program encompassing all laboratory disciplines including necropsy, histopathology, bacteriology, serology, and virology.

AAVLD Accreditation does not certify a product or service. It signifies that a laboratory adheres to a documented process and quality controls in conformance with ISO-based international standards that contribute to high quality, safety, reliability, and consistency of services to ensure customer satisfaction.

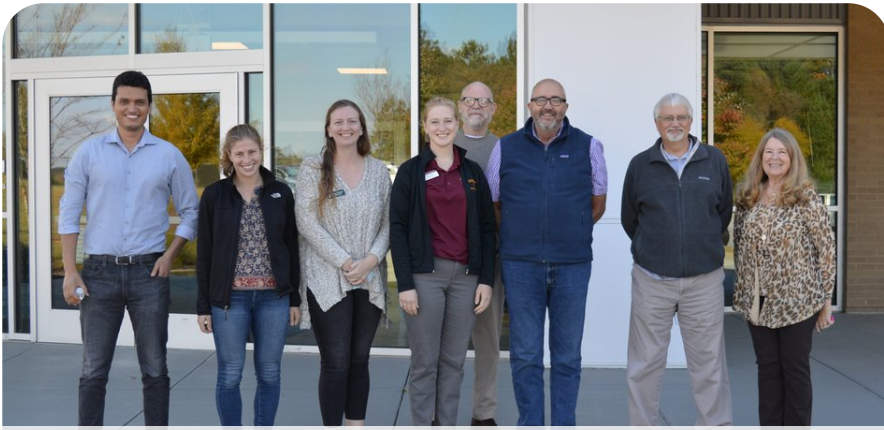


Why is this important?

AAVLD Accreditation provides a very recognizable credential that demonstrates intent to manage quality through practices deemed acceptable by ISO. A lot of testing that GPLN does is depended upon for live poultry and poultry producer movements within the US and internationally. We get inquiries from our trade partners about our accreditation status, and they expect this official recognition.

In addition, this accreditation opens the door for different levels of funding, but most of all, working towards this accreditation makes us a much better lab. The GPLN's quality program has matured over the past 10 years, and we are so proud of this recognition! **Thanks to every employee for their patience and perseverance through hundreds of Quality requirements and processes!**





Dr. French with the PDRC brought 4 students to tour the lab in early November.



We enjoyed having Annie Vizurraga, a 4th year vet student with plans to work in public health, intern with us during November. We wish her the very best with her future career!



Congratulations to Glenda Stover on 35 YEARS of service with GPLN!



Benjamin Knysak and Joe Zorat with Thermo Fisher, pictured with Dr. Waltman, visited the lab this November.



Congratulations, Jessica Tate, on 5 YEARS of service!



Congratulations to Len Chappell on 25 YEARS of service with GPLN!



Congratulations, Mhoire Williams, on 5 YEARS of service!



Congratulations, Adriana Guzman, on 5 YEARS of service!



Congratulations to Donna Jones on 15 YEARS of service with GPLN!