

# Optimising calf management—the first 6 months

## Wednesday 5th September 2018

To be held at the Kingston Maurward in Devon

Course fee £375

### Programme

08:30 - 09:00	<i>Registration and refreshments</i>	
09:00 - 09:30	Introduction – why does calf management matter	Claire Wathes
09:30 - 10:00	Management of the cow during the dry period and at calving – how does it affect the calf?	Peter Plate
10:00 - 10:30	Colostrum – why and how to provide enough	Kate Johnson
10:30 - 11:00	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	
11:00 - 12:00	Modern concepts of immunisation: opportunities and limitations	Dirk Werling
12:00 - 12:45	Calf nutrition: macro nutrients and trace elements	Peter Plate
12:45 - 13:45	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:45 - 14:30	Diarrhoea and respiratory disease: prevention and treatment	Kate Johnson
14:30 - 15:15	What makes good welfare – fact and fiction	Claire Wathes
15:15 - 15:45	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	
15:45 - 16:45	Breakout groups – problems on farms you know, barriers to and ways of making improvements	
16:45 - 17:00	Wrap up session	

### Tutors

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