

Southern Conference on Avian Diseases

Mission Statement: The purpose of the Southern Conference on Avian Diseases (SCAD) is to provide an annual meeting for the exchange of information in the field of avian diseases, and to stimulate scientific research in poultry diseases and encourage veterinary and graduate student training in avian diseases.

Who Are We: SCAD consists of the Southern District of the American Association of Avian Pathologists (AAAP, www.aaap.info/), which includes the following states; Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia, Florida, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

Membership: Membership in SCAD is open to anyone in the Southern District who qualifies as a member of the AAAP according to its bi-laws. Attendance at the annual SCAD meeting, held concurrently with the Southern Poultry Science Society in January of each year at the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta, GA as part of the U.S. Poultry & Egg Association's International Poultry Scientific Forum, is open to anyone with an interest in Avian Diseases.

Organization: SCAD elects a new President each year from its list of Directors. The organization tries to maintain at least one director at each of the State Universities in the Southern District. Directors from the poultry industry in the Southern District are also encouraged and desired. Nominations for the next President and new Directors are solicited from the membership and approved by the current directors at the annual business meeting that follows the Conference in January. The Secretary/Treasurer is nominated by the membership and voted into office by the Directors. All officers of SCAD (except that of the President which is for a period of one year) are held for an undefined period of time or until that individual no longer qualifies as a member in the organization or asks to be removed from office.