Position Statement:

Hormone Statement
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The modern poultry industry has never utilized hormones or steroids to raise commercial broilers, turkeys or egg layers. In fact, no hormones or steroids are approved by the US Food and Drug Administration for use in poultry, and doing so via the water, feed or injection is specifically prohibited by law. Even though some poultry products may state they are “Raised without added hormones” on the label, you can have confidence that all products, so labeled or not, are in fact raised without added hormones. Should you have any concerns about how your poultry products are produced, we encourage you to contact the National Chicken Council (NCC), National Turkey Federation (NTF) or United Egg Producers (UEP).