

2012-2013 AFDO COMMITTEE CHARGES

Food Committee

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Charge 1: Review and propose updates on the Model Water Vending machine Regulation (June 1997 revised, Dec 2002 printed) [Out of Date]

Discussion: No work completed on this charge.

Recommendation: With all the demands on state programs at this time, recommending removing this charge until it is demonstrated a review and update is needed.

Executive Committee Action:

Approval

Disapproval

Date

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Charge 2: Identify and incorporate into AFDO's Topical Index available model HACCP plans for retail specialty meat products that require a variance in the FDA Food Code (cured, smoked and fermented meats). Inquiries received from Michigan and Oregon.

Discussion: Stan Stromberg and Joe Corby continue to work on this charge.

Recommendation: Carry charge over until next year allowing for completion of this charge.

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Charge 3: Maintain contact with CFP committees and identify opportunities for collaboration. Contact the CFP Executive Director prior to the CFP conference and request an opportunity to provide an update on AFDO activities of interest that are relevant to CFP. Regularly request and maintain a listing of CFP committees and their members.

Discussion: This is an off year for CFP. Ron Klein was the previous liaison for CFP. At the Food Committee Meeting this year we will make a request for a new liaison to CFP.

Recommendation: Carry charge over for next year as it will be a CFP meeting year.

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Charge 4: Review the USDA Poultry Exemption Guidance documents to determine relevance for state food safety program managers and identify methods for promoting it, if necessary.

Discussion: No work completed on this.

Recommendation: If it can be demonstrated this is needed or wanted by the general food managers population, carry the charge over. Otherwise, eliminate charge.

Executive Committee Action: Put document in the Topical Index with a footnote. Joe Corby to write footnote.

Approval



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Charge 5: Review and develop guidance for standards development for states that allow raw milk production for consumption by humans and pets. Contact the Executive Directors of both the National Conference of Interstate Milk Shippers (NCIMS) and the National Association of Dairy Regulatory Officials (NADRO) and request an opportunity for an AFDO update of activities of interest that are relevant to said organizations.

Discussion: No work on this charge this year.

Recommendation: If it can be demonstrated this is needed or wanted by the general food managers population, carry the charge over. Otherwise, eliminate charge.

Executive Committee Action: Approval to eliminate the charge based on the following:

1. In the 10 years from 1999 to 2008, 86 outbreaks related to unpasteurized milk were reported to CDC, leading to 1676 illnesses, 191 hospitalizations, and 2 deaths.
2. A study released by CDC in February 2012 examined the number of dairy outbreaks in the United States during a 13-year period. Between 1993 and 2006, 60% (73/121) of dairy-related outbreaks reported to CDC were linked to raw milk products. Three-quarters of these outbreaks occurred in states where the sale of raw milk was legal at the time. Experts also found that those sickened in raw milk outbreaks were 13 times more likely to be hospitalized than those who got ill from pasteurized milk during an outbreak.
3. CDC recommends that consumers ALWAYS consume pasteurized milk because the risk of serious illness or even death is too high.

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4. Developing guidance for standards for states that allow raw milk production for consumption by humans and pets gives the perception that under certain conditions raw milk consumption is safe, when in fact, there is a wealth of public health data to the contrary.

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Charge 6: Examine how FDA has (will) incorporate the previously proposed Food GMPs into the "Preventive Controls" requirements under FSMA.

Discussion: This year's Food Committee meeting is being used for this very purpose. The entirety of the committee meeting will be devoted to FSMA.

Recommendation: Carry FSMA related charges for next year.

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Charge 7: Provide a guidance document for shared kitchen space/leasing space in commercial incubator kitchens.

Discussion: No work on this charge this year.

Recommendation: This is a needed guidance document, carry the charge over.

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Charge 8: Review and revise the AFDO Transportation of Food Products Guidelines.

Discussion: This year at the annual AFDO conference, Monday on the main stage is devoted to the subject of transportation. Speakers from industry, academia and regulatory will be presenting for a comprehensive look at the transportation system in its current state and current initiatives. Revising guidance at this time is premature. Until FDA releases final guidance, this charge should be with drawn.

Recommendation:

Executive Committee Action: Move charge to Laws & Regulations Committee.

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Charge 9: Work with the AFDO staff to establish a method to determine the accuracy of state data obtained relating to the FDA Food Code, which is part of a contract between FDA and AFDO.

Discussion: No work completed on this charge.

Recommendation: This should be an AFDO office staff function. Remove the charge.

Executive Committee Action:

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