
ASSOCIATION OF FOOD AND DRUG OFFICIALS

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Submitted by: AFDO Board of Directors

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Concerning: IFPTI Advisory Council

Whereas, AFDO recognizes the critical importance of training for industry and regulatory officials that will be required to meet the mandates of the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) and to advance an integrated food safety system, and

Whereas, AFDO believes the establishment of an organizational body that can identify specific training needs, coordinate training development and delivery efforts, and advise federal agencies of other related training issues would be a positive advancement for meeting these training challenges, and

Whereas, the International Food Protection Training Institute (IFPTI) Advisory Council is already in existence and represents a diverse group of food protection communities including federal regulatory agencies, state and local food protection agencies and associations, industry, consumer advocates, and academia, and

Whereas, the participating organizations of the IFPTI Advisory Council include:

- Association of American Feed Control Officials, Inc. (AAFCO)
- Association of Food & Drug Officials (AFDO)
- Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL)
- Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)
- Center for Disease Control (CDC)
- Cornell University
- Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE)
- The Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis Network
- Food Marketing Institute (FMI)
- Global Food Protection Institute (GFPI)
- Grocery Manufacturers Association (GMA)
- Institute of Food Technologists (IFT)
- Iowa State University (ISU)

Michigan State University (MSU)
National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO)
National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH)
National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA)
National Association of State Meat and Food Inspection Directors (NASMFID)
National Center for Biomedical Research & Training at Louisiana State University (NCBRT)
National Environmental Health Association (NEHA)
Partnership for Food Protection [PFP] Training Workgroup
U.S. Animal Health Association (USAHA)
U. S. Food & Drug Administration [FDA]
USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)
United Fresh Produce Association
, and

Whereas, IFPTI is dedicated to improving food safety by providing career-spanning, standards-based training for food protection professionals under a Cooperative Agreement with FDA, and

Whereas, the IFPTI Advisory Council is a representative body that has a stake in the training and certification infrastructure for the national integrated food safety system, therefore, be it

Resolved, that AFDO request FDA to provide the support and recognition to the IFPTI Advisory Council as the organizational entity that will work with the Partnership for Food Protection [PFP] to assist in the advancement of training and certification identification, development, and delivery necessary to meet the mandates of the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) and to advance an integrated food safety system, and be it further

Resolved, that AFDO request FDA to work within the IFPTI Advisory Council for guidance on how training should be prioritized and administered.