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Trends in Food and Cannabis Law-Making Across the U.S.

Doug Farquhar is with the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) and will present on trends in food and cannabis law-making across the US. Doug is the director of the Environmental Health Program at NCSL.

Please join us for this webinar on **October 19, 2018** at 2:00PM EST.

Register for webinar:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5876172062653766914>

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Launched!

Conversations with AFDO released two new podcasts over the weekend. With the recent devastation of Hurricane Florence AFDO released a **Hurricane Response** webinar over the weekend.

Also, Joe Corby and Steve Mandernach chat about the **Executive Director Transition** on the podcast released today.

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2018 Behavior Change Webinar Series

[Pulling All the Behavior Change Ideas Together](#)

CEUs available from ANFP, CDR, NEHA and CPH-CE

Thursday, Oct. 4

1 to 2 p.m. Eastern

We'll bring back our three panelists for an overview of the behavior change disciplines, then engage in moderated discussion with audience participation.

Kelley Dennings of Action Research, **Richard Mathera** of Common Cents Lab, and **Alexandra Bornkessel** of RTI International will discuss the topics of research, strategy development and evaluation.

This [discussion](#) will be moderated by **Dr. Christine Prue**, associate director for

The *four-part webinar series* on Behavior Change for health and food safety educators is presented by the *Partnership for Food Safety Education* in conjunction with the *Social Marketing Association of North America*.

Molecular Epidemiology and Sequencing Approaches in Public Health – Webinars from the New York Integrated Food Safety Center of Excellence, Cornell

This is the last in the 4-part series on Molecular Epidemiology and Sequencing Approaches in Public Health from Cornell University.

Case studies on use of WGS in foodborne disease surveillance and outbreak investigations. (originally broadcast on 6/29/2017)

At the end of the webinar, the viewer should be able to know:

- How WGS is used in foodborne disease surveillance and outbreak investigations
- Challenges and best practices for communications of WGS data between epidemiologists and laboratorians
- [View webinar](#)
- [View Steffany Cavallo slide set](#)
- [View Carlota Medus slide set](#)
- [View Carlota Medus closing slide set](#)

Entire series can be found at: <https://nyfoodsafety.cals.cornell.edu/molecular-epidemiology/webinars/>

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FDA NEWS

FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA)

Two-tier Inspections - Notice to Industry

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is soliciting businesses with multiple food processing facilities that implement centrally-developed [1] supply-chain programs and recall plans to volunteer for two-tier inspections. For participating facilities, FDA will assess the adequacy of the supply-chain program (subpart G of part 117) and recall plan (21 CFR 117.139) in a single Tier 1 inspection. FDA will then assess implementation of the supply-chain program and compliance with other applicable requirements in part 117 during separate Tier 2 inspections. [Read more...](#)

Remarks from Anna Abram as prepared for delivery to the 2018 Intergovernmental Meeting on Drug Compounding

Good morning and welcome. I am Anna Abram, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Planning, Legislation, and Analysis here at the Food and Drug Administration.

I would like to thank you all for traveling from near and far to be with us today to participate in our seventh intergovernmental meeting on drug compounding. Wherever you hail from, and whether this is your first or seventh meeting, we're glad to have you join us to continue our ongoing dialogue about ways to reduce the risks associated with compounded drug products and improve collaboration between FDA and the states. We greatly value our work with you, and we feel strongly that our partnerships with you are critical to maintaining robust oversight of compounders to protect the public health. [Read more...](#)

Statement from FDA Commissioner Scott

disclose retailer information for certain food recalls to improve consumer safety

Americans depend on the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to help ensure that the foods they buy and consume are safe. When we learn that potentially dangerous food products may be available in the U.S. marketplace, we must move quickly and efficiently to remove these food products from the market.

Our teams routinely work with food producers on voluntary recalls, and when necessary and where applicable, mandate recalls in order to keep people from getting sick or being harmed. We recognize that an important part of the recall process is also arming consumers with actionable information that they can use to avoid potentially contaminated food products. We're committed to providing consumers with more information to take these actions. This is an area where we see more opportunity to improve the FDA's role in protecting public health. To promote these goals, we're advancing an important new policy. [Read more...](#)

Statement from FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb, M.D., on modernizing standards of identity and the use of dairy names for plant-based substitutes

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is issuing a request for information as it examines its approach to the use of dairy food names like "milk," "cheese," or "yogurt" in the labeling of plant-based foods and beverages.

Earlier this year, FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb announced FDA's Nutrition Innovation Strategy (NIS) in a [speech](#) to the National Food Policy Conference. The strategy promotes public health through efforts to empower consumers to make better and more informed decisions about their diets and health, fostering the development of healthier food options, and expanding the opportunities to use nutrition to reduce morbidity and mortality due to chronic disease. [As part of its strategy, the FDA is considering approaches to modernize standards of identity](#), which are regulations that set forward requirements for the content and sometimes the methods used to produce certain foods. [Read more...](#)

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Job Opportunities

Conference for Food Protection EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Applications are being accepted for the position of Executive Assistant (EA) with the Conference for Food Protection (CFP) from September 24 through October 7, 2018. Please use this link

<http://www.foodprotect.org/about/news/announcement-executive-assistant-position-vacancy/> to access the EA Position Description and Application Form on the CFP website. [Read more and apply....](#)

Sea Grant Extn Educator Upper Peninsula

Michigan Sea Grant, a cooperative program of Michigan State University and the University of Michigan, helps to foster economic growth and conserve Michigan's coastal and Great Lakes resources through education, research, and outreach. Sea Grant Extension educators are involved in planning, organizing, and implementing university-based educational programs that apply knowledge and understanding gained through research. MSU Extension (MSUE) educators support Great Lakes stakeholders with information and tools to make informed decisions to conserve Michigan's coastal and Great Lakes resources and enhance coastal communities. [Read more and apply...](#)

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Preventive Controls for Human Foods Course (PCQH)

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- [Current Good Manufacturing Practices \(cGMPs\) for Dietary Supplements, 21 CFR Part 111](#)
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