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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 ET.

Register for webinar:
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5876172062653766914
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.

Go to afdo.podbean.com or download the Podbean app to view or listen to the app:

Apple App Store
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New Infographic on Baking Food Safety

Did you know?

- 97 percent of consumers failed to wash their hands properly when preparing food.
- Children under age 4 are 4.5 times more likely to get sick from contaminated food compared to adults.

That's why we created this infographic to help reduce the risk of foodborne illness for families!

Share these home baking food safety steps with your networks today! And check out all of the new Story of Your Dinner downloads!
The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the National Food Safety Data Exchange

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) becomes second program (behind Illinois) to go live with the National Food Safety Data Exchange (NFSDX). The NFSDX allows regulatory programs to share data electronically with other states and with FDA. FDACS has gone live with electronic submission of FDA contract inspections into the FDA electronic State Access to FACTS (eSAF) database. This electronic transfer not only streamlines once manual processes, but is a giant step towards a fully integrated food safety system. To learn more about NFSDX and/or to participate in the data sharing project, please contact Barbara Thiel, NFSDX Business Program Manager- Barbara.Thiel@fda.hhs.gov.

FDA NEWS

Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition Constituent Update

FY 2016 Pesticide Analysis Demonstrates Consistent Trends Over Five Years

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration today issued the results of its FY 2016 Pesticide Residue Monitoring Program. The agency tested for 711 pesticides and industrial chemicals across 7,413 total samples and the results were consistent with previous years’ findings. The majority of samples were below the tolerance levels set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Read more...
Certain Foods

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is now accepting applications for new export certificates for certain foods. On August 31, 2018, the FDA announced its new export certification program for certain FDA-regulated food products and the fees it will assess for issuing new export certifications to U.S.-based exporters of these products. The new export certification and fees were authorized by the 2011 FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) amendments to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act), allowing the agency to collect up to $175 for export certification for food.

Please see the link below for further information.
https://www.fda.gov/Food/NewsEvents/ConstituentUpdates/ucm621872.htm

Other Training Opportunities

Preventive Controls for Human Foods and Foreign Supplier Verification Programs
Preventive Controls for Human Foods Course (PCQI)
Course Information
Course Schedule

Foreign Supplier Verification Programs Course (FSVP)
Course Information
Course Schedule
Laws and Regulations Committee Update
A collection of current food, drug, device, and consumer product regulatory issues and news

Update from 10/2-10/5, 2018