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Happy New Year from AFDO

We would like to wish all of our members a happy and safe holiday season. Please note that the AFDO office will be closed on 12/31 and 1/1, reopening on 1/2, 2019.

Professional Development Grant

The AFDO Professional Development Committee will again fund a Professional Development Grant intended to benefit IFPTI Fellowship graduates, currently employed with a regulatory agency, that may not otherwise be able to

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costs, incidentals, and food per diem. Disbursement of the grant monies will require a completed reimbursement form along with a paid receipt of expenses. This year the AFDO Conference will be held in Atlanta Georgia June 22-26, 2019.

Grant recipients are required to: be an IFPTI graduate, attend the pre-conference workshop and committee meetings, be a member of an AFDO committee, and attend the conference in its entirety.

The application must be received by February 1. Grants will be awarded and applicants notified by March 1.

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Conversations with AFDO

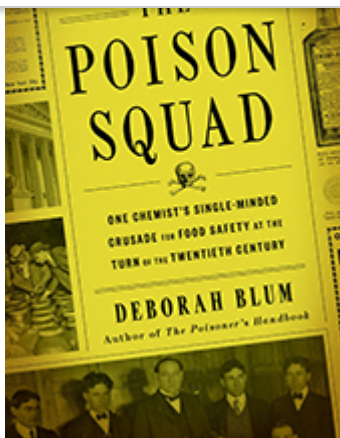
Conversations with AFDO released a new podcast on December 16, 2018.

Dawn Beck, Associate Director for Public Health, Olmsted County, Rochester, MN shares their success with risk-based approach to food inspections. The method called PTV, uses policy, training and verification as the benchmarks for holding food operators accountable for keep food safe.

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

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AFDO 2019 Conference Speaker's Book makes NY Times 100 notable books of 2018 list

Deborah Blum, a Pulitzer Prize Award Winning Author, and author of “The Poison Squad: One Chemist's Single-Minded Crusade for Food Safety at the Turn of the Twentieth Century” will be a featured speaker at the 2019 AFDO Conference. Her book was recognized recently by the New York Times as one of the 100 notable books of 2018.

Learn more about the book:

[100 Notable Books](#)

[How A 19th Century Chemist Took On The Food Industry With A Grisly Experiment](#)

MCAFD0 Save-the-Date

What: 2019 MCAFD0 Annual Educational Conference

When: February 26-27, 2019 (8:00 am to 5:00 pm each day)

Location: [Bluemont Hotel, 1212 Bluemont Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66502](#)

Check out the [MCAFD0 website](#) for more details or to register!

Award

AFDO's awards are presented annually at the Annual Educational Conference during the Wiley Award banquet. The awards are administered by the Awards Committee Chair, with subcommittees for the Wiley and Associate Member that are chaired by the immediate past recipient.

The AFDO Board of Directors has increased the amount of each of the scholarship awards to \$2500 beginning with the 2019 awards. Each is awarded annually to qualified undergraduate students in their third year of study.

Here's a list of each AFDO Award:

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FDA/USDA News



USDA's AMS Issues Final Rule on National Bioengineered Food Disclosure Standard

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA's) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) released its final rule implementing the National Bioengineered Food Disclosure Standard (NBFDS) passed by Congress in July 2016. In this memorandum we summarize the top ten key highlights of the final rule. [Read more...](#)

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Preventive Controls for Human Foods and Foreign Supplier Verification Programs

Preventive Controls for Human Foods Course (PCQI)

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Foreign Supplier Verification Programs Course (FSVP)

[Course Information](#)[Course Schedule](#)

EAS Consulting Group Training

Dietary Supplement Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) Compliance Seminar

April 2-3, 2019

Philadelphia, PA

EAS One-Day Dietary Supplement GMP Refresher Training Series

February 5, 2019

Riverside, CA

May 7, 2019

Denton, TX

August 13, 2019

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Laws and Regulations Committee Updates

Laws and Regulations Committee Update

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