



# 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Alliance Meeting

**August 26-27, 2025 & September 17, 2025**

**Location: Hosted on Zoom**

<b>Tuesday, August 26, 2025</b> <b>MFRPA General Session</b> <b>Location: Hosted on Zoom</b>	
<b>Eastern Time</b>	<b>Moderator: Rashelly Bland, Food Safety Manager, Office of Dairy and Foods, Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services</b>
<b>11:30 am – 11:40 am</b>	<b>Meeting Kick-Off</b> Patrick Kennelly, Program Director, Association of Food and Drug Officials
<b>11:40 am – 11:55 pm</b>	<b>Welcome to MFRPA 2025</b> Jodi Taylor, Chief, Division of Food Safety, Ohio Department of Agriculture Michelle Motsinger, Division Director, Division of Domestic Partnership Coordination and Integration, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Wendy Campbell, Acting Director, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
<b>11:55 pm – 12:15 pm</b>	<b>Recognition of Fully Conformant States</b> Matthew Coleman, Quality Assessment Staff, Office of Quality Assessment and Management, Human Foods Program, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Guy Delius, Consumer Safety Officer/MFRPS Specialist, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
<b>12:15 am – 12:45 pm</b>	<b>Update on 2025 MFRPS Standards</b> Angela Kohls, Consumer Safety Officer/MFRPS Specialist, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
<b>12:45 pm – 1:00 pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
	<b>Moderator: Jodi Taylor, Division Chief, Division of Food Safety, Ohio Department of Agriculture</b>
<b>1:00 pm – 1:30 pm</b>	<b>Leveraging Our Shared Public Health Capital: Building Over 10 Years of Collaborative Success</b> Matthew Coleman, Assessment Staff, Office of Quality Assessment and Management, Human Foods Program, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
<b>1:30 pm – 2:00 pm</b>	<b>Managing the Mature Program (10/10 Club)</b> David Smith, Manufactured Food Program Manager, Minnesota Department of Agriculture Krissa Jones, Manufactured Foods Program Manager, Georgia Department of Agriculture Michelle Boyd, Assistant Bureau Chief, Food Safety Bureau, Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals and Licensing
<b>2:00 pm – 2:30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
	<b>Moderator: James Chan, Chief, Standardization and Continuous Improvement Unit, Food and Drug Branch, California Department of Public Health</b>
<b>2:30 pm – 2:45 pm</b>	<b>Afternoon Kick-off Challenge</b> Patrick Kennelly, Program Director, Association of Food and Drug Officials Carolina Schaffer, Assistant Program Manager, Association of Food and Drug Officials
<b>2:45 pm – 3:30 pm</b>	<b>Office of Domestic Partnerships Update</b> Michelle Motsinger, Division Director, Division of Domestic Partnership Coordination and Integration, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Wendy Campbell, Acting Director, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration

<b>3:30 pm – 4:30 pm</b>	<b>Regional Breakouts</b> David Smith, Manufactured Food Program Manager, Minnesota Department of Agriculture Dan McCarthy, Director, Division of Food Safety and Inspection, New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Michelle Boyd, Assistant Bureau Chief, Food Safety Bureau, Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals and Licensing Krissa Jones, Manufactured Foods Program Manager, Georgia Department of Agriculture Rashelly Bland, Food Safety Manager, Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services James Chan, Chief, Improvement and Development Unit, Food and Drug Branch, California Department of Public Health
<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>

<b>Wednesday, August 27, 2025</b> <b>MFRPA General Session</b> Location: Hosted on Zoom	
<b>Eastern Time</b>	<b>Moderator: Angela Montalbano, Assistant Director, Division of Food Safety and Inspection, New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets</b>
<b>11:20 am – 11:30 am</b>	<b>Welcome, Morning Kahoot! Challenge</b> Patrick Kennelly, Program Director, Association of Food and Drug Officials
<b>11:30 am – 12:00 pm</b>	<b>Program Impacts from Funding Reductions...Other Funding Options?</b> Phillip Fruechting, Public Health Section Chief II, Wholesale/Manufactured Foods, Arkansas Department of Health Kimberly Stryker, Environmental Program Manager, Division of Environmental Health, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation Luisa Castro, Assistant Director, Division of Food Safety and Consumer Services, Washington State Department of Agriculture
<b>12:00 pm – 12:35 pm</b>	<b>Challenges of Training Staff</b> Jason Channels, MFRPS Coordinator, Division of Food Safety, Ohio Department of Agriculture Rashelly Bland, Food Safety Manager, Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Max Huebner, Program and Policy Analyst, Trade and Consumer Protection, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture
<b>12:35 pm – 12:45 pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
	<b>Moderator: Krissa Jones, Manufactured Food Program Manager, Food Safety Division, Georgia Department of Agriculture</b>
<b>12:45 pm – 1:15 pm</b>	<b>Tracking Critical Violations and Chronic Violators</b> Eric Martinez, Division for Consumer Protection, Food and Drug Section, Texas Department of State Health Services Maha Hajmeer, PhD, Chief, Food Safety Protection Section, Food and Drug Branch, California Department of Public Health Suzanne Pyle, Manufactured Foods Program Specialist, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture
<b>1:15 pm – 1:45 pm</b>	<b>Allergen Management and the Unique Challenges the Addition of Sesame has Raised</b> Benjamin Warren, PhD, Senior Science Advisor, Office of Microbial Food Safety, Human Foods Program, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
<b>1:45 pm – 2:10 pm</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
	<b>Moderator: Dan McCarthy, Division Director, Division of Food Safety and Inspection, New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets</b>
<b>2:10 pm – 2:20 pm</b>	<b>Kahoot! Challenge</b> Patrick Kennelly, Program Director, Association of Food and Drug Officials

<b>2:20 pm – 3:00 pm</b>	<b>Case Study of the Life Cycle of a Sample - From Collection to Recall</b> Jennifer Mirabile, Inspector, Division of Food Safety and Inspection, New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Milan McGorty, Emergency Response Coordinator, Office of Inspections and Investigations, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Catherine Martin, MFRPS Coordinator, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Michelle Kusnier, RRT Coordinator, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Jodi Taylor, Chief, Division of Food Safety, Ohio Department of Agriculture
<b>3:00 pm – 4:30 pm</b>	<b>How to Deal with and Deescalate Angry People</b> Gary Sigrist, Jr., CEO and President, Safeguard Risk Solutions
<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>

<b>Wednesday, September 17, 2025</b> <b>Joint MFRPA and RRT Session</b> Location: Hosted on Zoom	
<b>10:30 am – 11:20 am</b>	<b>Fall Classic Network Event</b>
<b>Eastern Time</b>	<b>Moderator: Michelle Boyd, Assistant Bureau Chief, Food Safety Bureau, Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing</b>
<b>11:20 am – 11:30 am</b>	<b>Joint MFRPA-RRT Meeting Session Welcome</b> Angela Montalbano, Assistant Director, Division of Food Safety and Inspection, New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Lisa Joseph, Consumer Safety Officer/RRT Specialist, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
<b>11:30 am – 12:10 pm</b>	<b>FDA Food Program Reorganization Update</b> Erik Mettler, M.P.A, M.P.H, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, Human Foods Program, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Michael Dutcher, DVM, Acting Deputy Associate Commissioner for Food Products, Office of Inspections and Investigations, Human Foods Program, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Vinetta Howard King, Acting Director, Office of Field Operations and Response, Office of Inspections and Investigations, Human Foods Program, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
<b>12:10 pm – 1:00 pm</b>	<b>FDA Contracts and Cooperative Agreement Update</b> Teresa Bills, Supervisory Consumer Safety Officer, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Jocelyn Ramos, Program Manager, Division of Partnership Investments and Agreements, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Nicola Areshenko, Project Manager, Division of Partnership Investments and Agreements, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Thanh Andrews, Project Manager, Division of Partnership Investments and Agreements, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Lisa Joseph, Consumer Safety Officer/RRT Specialist, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Michelle Motsinger, Division Director, Division of Domestic Partnership Coordination and Integration, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
<b>1:00 pm – 1:10 pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
	<b>Moderator: Alida Sorenson, Supervisor, Response and Outreach, Food and Feed Safety Division, Minnesota Department of Agriculture</b>
<b>1:10 pm – 1:55 pm</b>	<b>Innovative Approaches for Recruiting and Retaining Personnel</b> Jordan Young, Manufactured Foods Program Manager, Indiana Department of Health Summer Williams, Food Safety Division Deputy Director, Georgia Department of Agriculture Brad Deacon, Director of Legal Affairs & Emergency Management Coordinator, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

<b>1:55 pm – 2:30 pm</b>	<b>Food Traceability Rule Update</b> Margaret Klug, National Expert, Human Foods Program, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
<b>2:30 pm – 3:00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
	<b>Moderator: Melanie Voges, Consumer Safety Officer, Office of Inspections and Investigations, U.S. Food and Drug Administration</b>
<b>3:00 pm – 3:30 pm</b>	<b>FDA Office of Training Education and Development and Regulatory and Laboratory Training System (RLTS) Update</b> Brooke Mullican, Acting Director, Office of Training Education and Development, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Michelle Motsinger, Division Director, Division of Domestic Partnership Coordination and Integration, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Adam Betman, Program Analyst, Program Services Staff, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
<b>3:30 pm – 4:15 pm</b>	<b>Lead in Cinnamon - Wanabana Outbreak Investigation Panel</b> Natalie Cataldo, Regulatory Officer, Office of Coordinated Outbreak Response and Evaluation, Response Team 2, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Heather Birt, Recall Coordinator, Human Food Division, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Erin Kafka, RRT Coordinator, Office of Food Protection, Maryland Department of Health Daniel Gaines, Food Program Administrator, Food and Drug Protection Division, North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
<b>4:15 pm – 4:30 pm</b>	<b>Wrap Up and Report Outs</b> Lisa Joseph, Consumer Safety Officer/RRT Specialist, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration Quynh Anh Tran, Consumer Safety Officer/RRT Specialist, Office of Integrated Food Safety System Partnerships, Office of Domestic Partnerships, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>