



NASDA Produce Update

2023 National Produce Consortium

The NASDA FSMA Produce Safety Team hosted the seventh annual National Produce Safety Consortium

- Nov. 7-9, 2023.
- St. Louis, Missouri,
- Over 250 attendees representing 47 state Produce programs, FDA, USDA, and university extension.
- The speaker presentations and breakout sessions centered around this year's consortium theme, "Accomplishing More Together," emphasizing the importance of education initiatives, collaboration across institutions, and forward-thinking governance.

Workgroups

Inspection Data Sharing Workgroups

Topics addressed:

- Developing shared definitions of the classification of inspections
- Mutual sharing of inspection information
- Clarifying communication pathways between the states and the FDA

Risk-Based Inspection Frequency Workgroup

- State-customized risk-based inspection frequency

On-Farm Readiness Training

OFRR Virtual Phase 1 Training –

- January 8-9, 2024 – Completed (good participation by both state produce program staff and university extension)
- March 6-7, 2024 – This training is full, but contact Carol Perrier if you would like to be added to the waitlist

OFRR Phase 2 Training – University of Arizona Maricopa Agricultural Center

- March 19-20, 2024 – some spots remain
- March 21-22, 2024 – some spots remain

Basic Inspections and Investigations Course - Produce

- Course Content
- Training Gap
- **Basic Inspections and Investigations Course** place in the Produce Inspector training
- On-going delivery

Produce Regulatory Program Standards

- The NASDA Produce Safety Team, state Produce programs, and the FDA, developed the draft Produce Regulatory Program Standards and submitted them to the FDA for review and approval.
- Work is in process to formulate recommendations on implementing the Standards once approved by the FDA and OMB.

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