# **Connecting and Collaborating**



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# What is the Association of Food and Drug Officials? (AFDO)

For more than a century, AFDO has

**connected** food and medical products professionals in the public and private sectors, providing a forum for

**sharing** various disciplines and perspectives with the goal of

impacting the regulatory environment to

**protect** the health and welfare of the global community.

Connect

Share

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#### CONNECT

CONNECT food and medical product safety professionals in the public and private sectors.





#### **SHARE**

SHARE various disciplines and perspectives in an open and collaborative forum.



### Mobile App







### **AFDO Produce Committee**

- Connect with states
- Recommend and complete approved committee charges
- Compile and provide resources for state Produce Safety Programs
- Determine topics for AFDO annual conference
  Produce Safety track



#### **PRODUCE SAFETY**

The adoption and implementation of the Produce Safety Rule as part of the Food Safety Modernization Act brings the first ever regulatory focus on produce farms. The rule establishes, for the first time, science-based minimum standards for the safe growing, harvesting, packing, and holding of fruits and vegetables grown for human consumption. AFDO is committed to connect with NASDA, FDA, states, academia, and the produce industry to collaborate on topics, needs, and guidance.

#### FDA Produce Safety Rule Resources

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{FDA}}$  resources and information regarding the Produce Safety Rule.

#### Produce Safety Alliance

The Produce Safety Alliance (PSA) is a collaboration between Cornell University, FDA, and USDA to prepare fresh produce growers to meet the regulatory requirements included in the United States Food and Drug Administration's Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Rule.

#### **Alliances and Organizations**

Alliances and organizations committed to education and the implementation of the Produce Safety Rule are compiled for easy access and use.

#### Regulatory and Industry Guidance

Guidance and regulatory resources to assist stakeholders seeking informational tools for compliance with the Produce Safety Rule.

#### Locate State Produce Program Contacts

The AFDO Directory of State and Local Officials (DSLO) is a key contact for the regulatory authority involved in the oversight and implementation of the Produce Safety Rule. This public directory is used to connect regulatory officials throughout the country. To go directly to list of state produce contacts, click here.

#### National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA)

Through a cooperative agreement with FDA, NASDA is working with FDA and key partners and agencies with implementation of the Produce Safety Rule.

#### On Farm Readiness Review

The benefits of Readiness Reviews and how to request one in your state.

#### **NECAFS** Clearinghouse

The northeast center to Advance Food Safety has a clearinghouse of Produce Safety materials and resources.

#### State Produce Websites

A quick resource for stakeholders to view all of the states that take part in the FDA Federal Cooperative Agreement for Produce Safety.

#### Join the AFDO Produce Committee

Collaborate on <u>Produce Committee Charges</u> and special projects, receive notices, receive materials and learn from other states.

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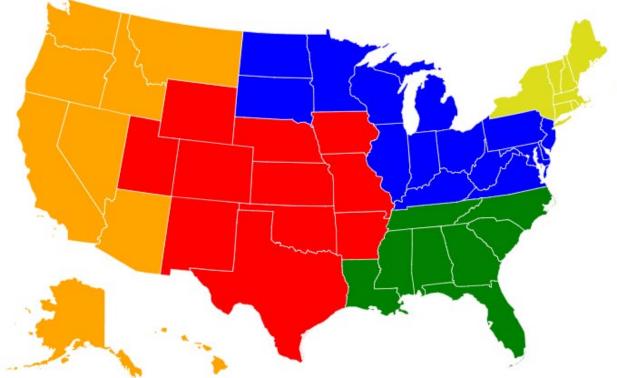
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- Consumer Protection
- Dairy State Contacts
- Food Emergency Response Coordinator
- Laboratory Directors
- Manufactured Foods
- · MFRPS Coordinator
- Rapid Response Team (RRT) Coordinator
- · Shellfish State Contacts
- State Board of Pharmacy
- State Epidemiologists
- Urgent Contact List

#### **External Resources:**

- AAFCO State Feed Control Official
- American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians
- Emergency Lab Contacts @
- FDA Consumer Complaint Coordinators
- FDA MFRPS Contacts @
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Massachusetts	Michigan	Minnesota
Mississippi	Missouri	Montana
Nebraska	Nevada	New Hampshire
New Jersey	New Mexico	New York
North Carolina	North Dakota	Ohio

### Is Your State's Program Contacts Up-to- Date?

#### Virginia Virginia Department Of Agriculture And Consumer Services Erik Bungo Address: 102 Governor Street Program Areas: Produce **Program Supervisor** Richmond, Virginia 23219 Animal and Food Industry Services - Office of Dairy Alternate address: PO Box 1163, Richmond, and Foods - Produce Safety VA 23218 erik.bungo@vdacs.virginia.gov Phone: 804-786-1006 Fax: 804-371-7792 Emergency: 804-674-2400 Anne P. Magee Address: 102 Governor Street Program Areas: Produce Assistant Program Supervisor Richmond, Virginia 23219 Animal and Food Industry Services - Office of Dairy Alternate address: PO Box 1163, Richmond, and Foods - Produce Safety VA 23218 Anne.Magee@vdacs.virginia.gov Phone: 804-225-4536 Fax: 804-371-7792 Emergency: 804-674-2400

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- Program Supervisor/Manager
- Outreach Coordinator



# AFDO / NASDA

- Cooperative Agreement
- Collaborate with NASDA
  - Support
  - Tasks and projects
  - Consortium agenda



# AFDO / NASDA / States

- Conversations with programs
- Challenges, obstacles, and gaps
- Sharing information
  - Position descriptions
  - Training



# **AFDO / Produce Safety Alliance**

- Developed Produce Safety Grower Training Course.
- AFDO issues certificate Produce Safety Grower Training Course.
- AFDO provides revenue to support ongoing functions of the PSA.
- Provides long-term sustainability of the PSA.
  Produce Safety

### What Can You Do?

- 1. Connect with Produce programs through DSLO
- 2. Join the AFDO Produce Safety Committee
- 3. Volunteer for NASDA/AFDO workgroups
- 4. Share information
- 5. Collaborate with other Produce Safety programs
- 6. Connect with me



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