

# Association of American Feed Control Officials (AAFCO) Updates

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# Key Issues This Presentation

- Officers and Board members
- FSMA Related
  - NASDA AAFCO Animal Food Implementation Plan
  - FSPCA Animal Feed Curriculum rolled out
  - State Adoptions of FSMA – a dialogue
    - What does prevention mean to most state programs?
    - Setting expectations of needs in a regulatory context
- Search for Executive Director
- Search for Program Manager/ Modernization of Pet Food labeling
- Upcoming Meetings

# 2018 Officers and Board members

- President - Stan Cook, MO
- Incoming-President – Bob Geiger, IN
- Secretary-Treasurer - Ali Kashani, WA
- Senior Director – Kristen Green, KY
- Senior Director - Erin Bubb, PA
- Junior Director – Robert Church, MT
- Junior Director – Dave Phillips, ND
- Junior Director – George Ferguson, NC
- Immediate Past President – Ken Bowers, KS

# FSMA Issues

- NASDA- AAFCO Animal Food Implementation Plan – expected early 2018. Provides NASDA-AAFCO guidance to states who are gearing up state programs to meet the new FSMA Animal Food requirements.
- State programs are generally aware of all seven FSMA rules but not as actively working with the other Animal Food related rules (sanitary transport, foreign supplier verification, accredited third party certification), for state adoption.
- Food Safety Preventive Controls Alliance (FSPCA) – curriculum is available Version 1.1 became effective October 13 this year. Represents some corrections. Trainings are posted on the FSPCA website for regulators and industry.

# FSMA Needs - Dialogue of Implementation

- Active communication needs to take place between industry and state programs..... in an Integrated Food Safety System, what is the industry-perceived role of state regulatory programs in the oversight of new FSMA requirements? What do states need to better understand about what FSMA means in industry? How do states effectively work with small and moderate sized firms? What relationships exist between small firms as suppliers to moderate and large firms? And How is education and compliance in small firms with FSMA being gained?

# Executive Director Search

- AAFCO is looking for an Executive Director. The position has been announced. Candidates have been reviewed and interviewed. The process is continuing.

# FDA- AAFCO MOU renewed

- AAFCO and FDA have signed a renewed MOU to continue with current ingredient definitions adoption processes, and to work toward a continuation of ingredient definition processes into the future.
- No changes are identified in this renewal. No changes are being proposed of which I am aware.

# Modernization of Pet Food labeling

- An announcement for Project Manager has been distributed. The project manager will oversee Modernization of Pet Food Labeling, and liaison between states and industry in that process. Candidates are being gathered for review and scheduling of future interviews.



# Upcoming AAFCO Meetings

(<http://www.aafco.org/>)

- 2018 Midyear Meeting, January 22-25, Anaheim, CA
- 53<sup>rd</sup> Feed Administrator Seminar, April 23-27, Gettysburg, PA
- 2018 Annual Meeting, July 30-August 1, Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2018 AAFCO Feed Labeling Workshop, July 28–29, (tentative), Ft. Lauderdale, FL
- 2019 Midyear Meeting, January 21-23, Savannah, GA
- 2019 Annual Meeting, August 5-7, Louisville, KY

# Thank you! Questions?

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