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March 5, 2015

Dear NEFDOA Members:

I would like to extend an invitation to all members and guests to attend our Annual 2015 NEFDOA Educational Conference which is going to be held May 6-8, 2015 at the Sheraton Burlington Hotel & Conference Center, 870 Williston Road, Burlington, Vermont.

The agenda for the conference is outstanding and contains current topics that will be of interest to all who attend. **Attached is a copy of the draft agenda for our conference, the “Early Registration Form” and information regarding our “Silent Auction”.**

For the NEFDOA members who have provided an email address, all information will be sent electronically. For members who do not have an email address, it will be sent through the mail.

If you have any questions regarding the conference you may contact through email: patricia.kaczynski@ct.gov or by calling Pattie at (860) 713-6101.

I look forward to see you in Burlington, Vermont.

Sincerely,

Lisa Roy
President, NEFDOA

NEFDOA 2015 EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

EARLY REGISTRATION

May 6-8, 2015

Sheraton Burlington Hotel & Conference Center

870 Williston Road

South Burlington, Vermont 05403

Name: _____ Date: _____
Agency/Co _____ Business Phone _____
Address: _____ Email: _____
City/State/Province _____ Zip Code: _____

CONFERENCE PACKAGE: includes Educational Conference Registration, all breaks, conference materials, Thursday Night “get acquainted reception” and the Thursday Night Banquet

COMPLETE PACKAGE: Includes Banquet

			<u>Number Attending</u>		<u>Amount</u>
Member/Non-Member	\$200.00	X	_____	=	_____
Retired/Alumni	\$N/C	X	_____	=	_____
Banquet Only:					
Retired member/spouse/guest	\$50.00	X	_____	=	_____

NEFDOA only accepts cash, checks, or government vouchers for payment.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS must be made directly to the hotel by April 14, 2015

TELEPHONE NO: 1-800-325-3535. When making your reservations mention attending the 2015 NEFDOA Educational Conference to receive the government rate of \$125.00 per room per night plus 10% tax.

Attendees may also make their room reservations online by using the following link: <https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/NEFDOA2015>

To enable me to know in advance the number of attendees, please send this form back to me by April 14, 2015 with or without payment. If you do make payment, please make checks payable to **NEFDOA** and mail to:

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**Northeast Food and Drug Officials Association
Annual Educational Conference
May 6-8, 2015
Sheraton Burlington Hotel & Conference Center
870 Williston Road
Burlington, Vermont
802-865-6600
AGENDA**

Wednesday, May 6, 2015

- 7:30 – 8:30 AM** Registration
- 8:30 – 8:45 AM** **Welcome**
Lisa Roy, President NEFDOA
- Introduction – Elisabeth Wirsing** (State Of Vermont)
- 8:45 – 9:15 AM** **Welcome**
Vermont Department of Health
Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets
- 9:15 – 9:20 AM** Greetings, Lynn Berardinelli, Sales Manager
Sheraton Burlington Hotel & Conference Center
- Moderator (TBD)**
- 9:20 – 10:00 AM** Office of Partnerships - Barbara Cassens, Senior Advisor, Acting
Director, FDA Office of Partnerships
- 10:00 – 10:15 AM** *Break*
- 10:15 – 11:45 AM** FDA Update on FSMA - TBD
- 11:45 – 12:45 PM** *Lunch on your own*
- 12:00 – 5:00 PM** *Silent Auction Opens*

Wednesday Afternoon, May 6, 2015

- Moderator (TBD)**
- 12:45 – 1:30 PM** International Food Protection Training Institute Update – David
Read, IFPTI, Battle Creek Michigan
- 1:30 – 2:30 PM** FSMA Produce Safety Cooperative Agreement – Bob Ehart,
NASDA, and Joe Corby, Executive Director, AFDO

- 2:30 – 3:15 PM** USDA FSIS Update – James Borda, NE District Office of Compliance, USDA
- 3:15 – 3:30 PM** *Break*
- 3:30 – 3:50 PM** Manufactured Foods Regulatory Program Standards - TBD
- 3:50 – 5:00 PM** MFRPS Work Session – State Directors will meet to review changes adopted by MFRPA in March, and to discuss gaps, improvement plans, and strategic goals for the NE region.
- Silent Auction Closes for the Day*
- Dinner on your own*

Thursday, May 7, 2015

Moderator (TBD)

- 8:00 – 8:30 AM** **Conference Registration**
- 8:30 – 9:15 AM** New Federal Menu Labeling Rules – Felicia Billingslea, Director, Food Labeling and Standards Staff, Office of Nutrition, Labeling, and Dietary Supplements (ONLDS), FDA Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN)
- 9:15 – 10:00 AM** Recent Outbreaks of Campylobacteriosis Associated with Undercooked Chicken Livers – Bradley Tompkins, Infectious Disease Epidemiologist, Vermont Department of Health
- 10:00 - 10:15 AM** *Break*
- 10:15 – 11:00 AM** CFIA Update – Nicole Bouchard-Steeves, Director General, Atlantic Operations
- 11:00 – 11:45 AM** Food Safety in Dubai – Ernest Julian, Ph.D., Chief, Office of Food Protection, Rhode Island Department of Health
- 11:45 – 12:45 PM** *Lunch on your own*
- 9:00 – 5:00 PM** *Silent Auction Opens*

Thursday Afternoon, May 7, 2015

Moderator (TBD)

- 12:45 – 1:30 PM** AFDO Update - Stephen Stich, President

- 1:30 – 2:15 PM** Vermont GMO Labeling – Todd Daloz, Assistant Attorney General, Vermont Attorney General's Office
- 2:15 – 2:45 PM** *Break*
- 2:45 – 3:30 PM** Produce Safety Wash Water Study – Vern Grubinger, Extension Professor, University of Vermont
- 3:30 – 4:15 PM** TBD
- 2:45 – 5:00 PM** Food Inspection Contract Work Session – State Directors will meet FDA State Liaisons to review the latest scope of work and discuss regional impacts. Session will meet SoW obligation for a second work planning session.
- 4:15 – 5:00 PM** *Silent Auction (closes at 5 PM) **must be present to win***
- 6:00 – 9:00 PM** **Reception and Awards Banquet**

Friday, May 8, 2015

Moderator (TBD)

- 9:00 – 9:45 AM** Vibrio presentation – Stephen Jones, Epidemiologist, UNH
- 9:45 – 10:00 AM** *Break*
- 10:00 – 10:30 AM** Rapid Response Work Session – State Directors will meet to discuss regional response and capacity building process.