



All AFDO Can Do For You!

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What is AFDO?

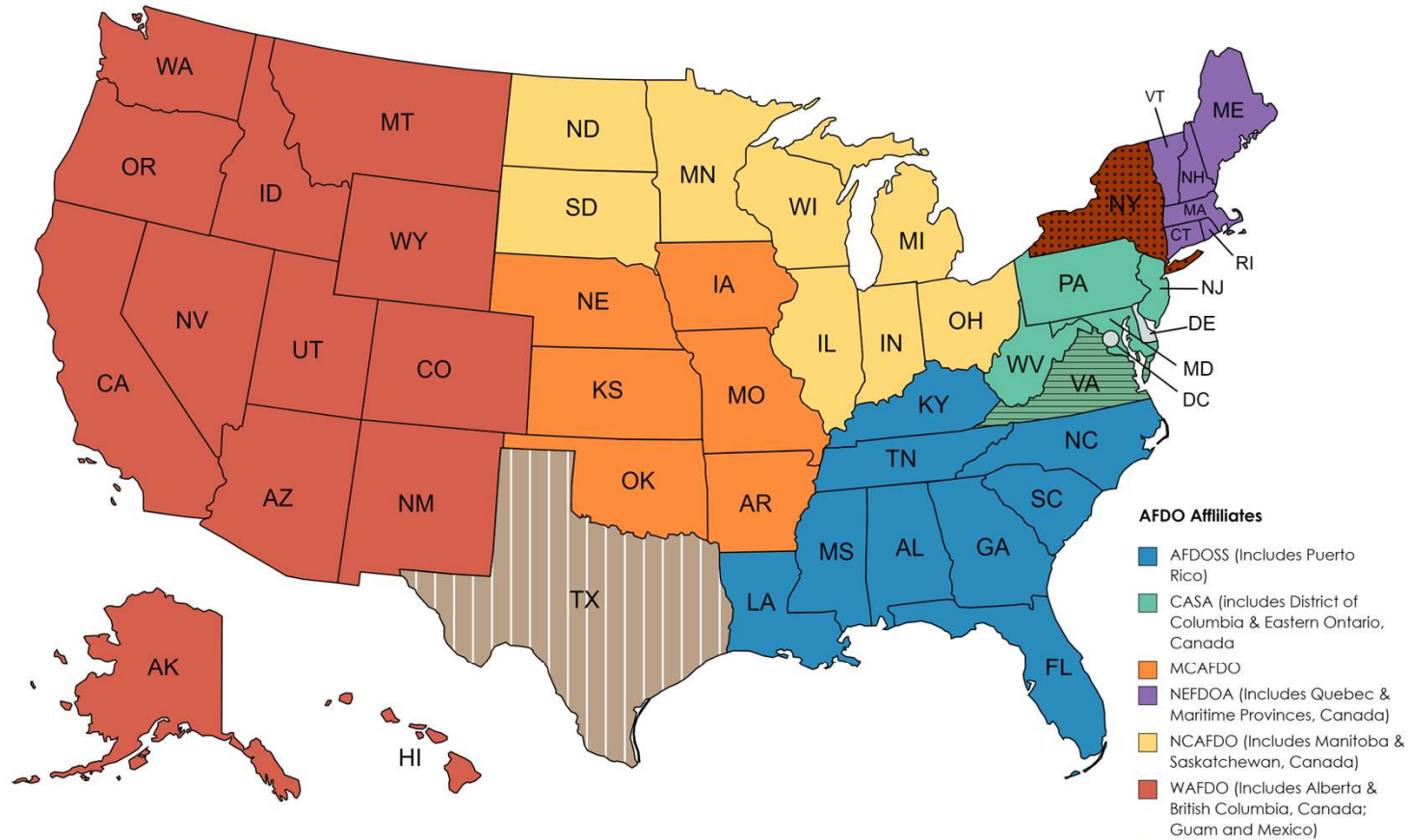
AFDO is the Association of Food and Drug Officials

For well over a **125 years**, AFDO has:

- **connected** food and medical product professionals in the public and private sectors, providing a forum for
- **sharing** various disciplines and perspective with the goal of
- **impacting** the regulatory environment to
- **protect** the health and welfare of the global community



AFDO's Regional Affiliates



Education Conference

128th

AFDO Annual Education Conference

WHEN: June 9 – 12, 2024

WHERE: Grand Rapids, Michigan



Mark your calendar!



AFDO Credential Series

[Credential Series Video](#)



Visit the AFDO website:
<https://www.afdo.org/credentials/>



Connect with Experts

- Directory of State and Local Officials
- Food Processing Authorities Directory
- Jurisdiction and Enforcement Authority Directory
- Retail Food Regulatory Programs Directory
 - Retail Food Maps
 - Inspection Responsibility Map
 - Regulatory Oversight Retail Food Map
- Seafood HACCP Directory
- Subject Matter Expert Directory



Resources

Contains information from states on subjects ranging from Alcohol to Wild Mushrooms.

1,000's of resources!

Foreign Language Translation

**Need help communicating
with food handlers?**

Resources Available!

40+

Languages Available!

Videos • Posters • Reference Documents

A variety of resources, in many languages, collected in one place, for you to use! Combining and sharing our resources will help all food safety professionals as we work towards educating food handlers during inspections.



**AFDO Food Protection
Educational Resource Committee**



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<https://www.afdo.org/resources/>



Root Cause Analysis for Retail Food Safety Course

This course helps develop a methodical approach to:

- Determine the underlying reasons for how and why an outbreak/violation(s) occurred.
- Provide tools for more effective problem solving.
- Data collection tools and analyzation.
- Interventions or corrective actions to prevent recurrence.



Register on the AFDO website:
<https://www.afdo.org/events/>



Environmental Sampling Course

Environmental samples can link illness to an establishment after the food is no longer available.

Learn from this face-to-face, hands-on workshop how to:

- Conduct environmental sampling in retail food establishments for outbreak investigations.



Email afdo@afdo.org to request a class.



Inspector and Advanced Inspector Boot Camp



AFDO hosts a free virtual **Inspector Boot Camp** for both new and advanced inspectors every year as a lifelong learning opportunity. Learn about topics that will support your success – report writing, conflict de-escalation, preventive controls, food safety plans, food safety culture, foodborne illness, and more.



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Additional Training Topics

- Food Regulatory General Education
- Professional Development
- Produce Safety Alliance (PSA) Training
- Basic Inspections and Investigations for New Regulators
- Instructional Skills Training
- Seafood HACCP Training
- On-Demand Training
- Webinar Training
- Active Managerial Control for Industry
- Process Improvement for Regulators



VNRRFRPS Verification Auditors Directory

AFDO is seeking **Retail Standards Verification Auditors!**

- Jurisdictions are looking for auditors for the VNRRFRPS
- *We can connect auditors to those in need of an audit*
- Sign up to be a verification auditor for the VNRRFRPS in the survey QR link



Email dcopeland@afdo.org to request information



Career Center



food
safety
careers

- [Foodsafetycareers.org](https://foodsafetycareers.org)
- [State Overview](#)
- [State Jobs by Location](#)
- [Federal Jobs by Location](#)



AFDO Committees



AFDO COMMITTEES

- 13 Standing Committees

Alumni – Joanne Brown & Ballard Graham

Body Art – Laurel Arrigona, Jodi Zimmerman, & Brian Everett

Cannabis – Lezli Engelking

Drug, Device, Cosmetics – Mary Morgan, Megan Snyder, & Arrigona

Food Defense – Summer Williams & Dr. Derrick Payne

Food Education Resource – Autumn Schuck & Christopher Sortino

Food Recovery – Wayne Melichar & Phillip Fruechting

Foodborne Outbreak – Karen Blickenstaff & Brendalee Viveiros

Industry Membership – Raquel Maymir & Laurel Arrigona

Int. and Gov. Relations – LaTonya Mitchell & Sarah Powell-Price

Lab, Science, and Technology – Maria Ishida & Richelle Richter

Produce – Erik Bungo, Kelly Johnson, & Benjamin Marshall

Professional Development – Lisa Potopsingh & Daria Brenner



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Committees & Portals



PORTALS

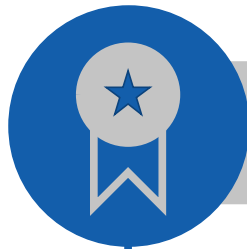
- Manufactured Food Regulatory Alliance Portal
- Food Protection Portal



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Awards



AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Check out the recognition awards available highlighting excellence in the industry.



View on the AFDO website:
<https://www.afdo.org/awards/>



AFDO Values – We live these every day

Promoting education, communication, and cooperation among government, industry, and consumers.

We identify, nurture, and strengthen potential collaborations that complement AFDO's efforts.

We advance public health based on an integrated regulatory system.

We foster diversity of regulatory public health professionals.

We deliver value as the “go to” source for information on food and medical products safety programs and services.

We efficiently use resources (financial, staffing and other partnerships) and prioritize opportunities.



Focus Areas

2023-2024 AFDO Priorities



What AFDO is Working On

- SAFHER
- Retail and Manufactured Foods Data Analytics
- Power Skills Training
- Increasing Delivery of Key Courses



What can you do?

Join an AFDO committee.

Work on committee projects.

Communicate with AFDO and affiliate about regulatory issues or challenges.

Notify AFDO about changes in state regulatory program staff.

Consider running for a board position in AFDO or your affiliate.

Seek opportunities to collaborate.



How to contact AFDO

Check out our website www.AFDO.org

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