



Technical Representatives Quarterly Meeting
Meeting Minutes, September 15, 2016
FDA/CFSAN Building, University Station, College Park, MD

Welcome and Introduction

The Interagency Risk Assessment Consortium (IRAC) held the fall quarterly meeting of the Technical Committee on September 15, 2016. The meeting was hosted by the FDA Center for Food Safety and Nutrition (CFSAN) in College Park, Maryland. Technical and policy representatives and guests from various agencies participated on site or by phone.

Main Presentation

Clare Narrod and Kyle McKillop of the Joint Center for Food Safety and Nutrition (JIFSAN) at the University of Maryland provided updates on the JIFSAN risk analysis training program, new training courses, and the current and planned tools available to the risk assessment community on Foodrisk.org.

“5 minute” Agency Updates

Representatives in attendance gave a brief overview of food safety risk analysis projects and issues in their agencies that may be of interest to other agencies.

Work Group Updates

Characterization and Evaluation of Dietary Exposure Assessment Approaches and Needs. Judith Spungen, FDA-CFSAN, reported on the activities and status of this work group. From January through June 2016, presentations on Agency exposure assessment approaches were made by representatives from each participating Agency group (EPA-OPP, FDA-OAO, FDA-OFAS, FDA-CVM, and USDA-FSIS). IRAC representatives are now in the process preparing a white paper.

NEW: Implications of Whole Genome Sequencing on Quantitative Microbiological Risk Assessment. Janell Kause (USDA-FSIS) and Sherri Dennis (FDA-CFSAN) proposed a new working group to evaluate the implication of whole genome sequencing on quantitative

microbiological risk assessment (QMRA). Interest was expressed by several agencies with a discussion to broaden the scope of this initiative beyond QMRA.

Discussion of FY2016 and FY2017 Activities

Janell Kause and Sherri Dennis led a discussion of FY2016 and FY2017 activities. Comments, additions and edits were requested for the draft FY2016 Annual Report, draft FY2017 Annual Plan, and a new workgroup proposal concerning implications of whole genome sequencing and quantitative microbial food safety risk assessment. Comments are due October 28, 2016.

Meeting Attendance

Last Name	First Name	Agency
Abbott	Linda	USDA-ORACBA
Cahill-Wang	Fan	USDA-APHIS
Bowman	John	USAID
Dennis	Sherri	HHS FDA CFSAN
Hearl	Frank	HHS CDC NIOSH
Hooberman	Barry	HHS-OFVM
Kause	Janell	USDA FSIS
Payne	Tamika	USDA-FSIS
Powell	Mark	USDA ORACBA
Reddy	Shanker	USDA AMS
Rogers	Jim	USDA OCS
Spungen	Judi	HHS FDA CFSAN
Tan	Regina	USDA FNS
Weil	Roxana	HHS FDA CTP