

# Iowa Food Protection Task Force

NOVEMBER 12, 2024 GENERAL MEETING



# Housekeeping

- ATTENDANCE SHEETS
- VENDING MACHINES
- RESTROOMS
- BREAKS — COOKIES PROVIDED BY HY-VEE
- ZOOM PRESENTATION
- Q & A MICROPHONE



# Meet the Task Force Advisory Board

- ▶ **Board Chair**

- ▶ Thao Schlichte, Rapid Response Team Coordinator at DIAL

- ▶ **Vice Chair**

- ▶ Bambi Press, Healthy Aging Director, Iowa Department of Health and Human Services Division of Aging and Disability Services and for the National Resource Center on Nutrition and Aging

- ▶ **Members At Large**

- ▶ Ellen Ciarimboli, Hy-Vee
  - ▶ Michelle Clausen-Rosendahl, Director of Environmental Health, Siouxland District Health Department
  - ▶ James Dickson, Ph.D, Morrison Chair in Meat Science and Professor in the Department of Animal Science and the Inter-Departmental Program in Microbiology, Iowa State University



# Iowa Food Protection Task Force Update

BAMBI PRESS, IHHS



# Deliverables

- ▶ Surveys
  - Home Food Processing Establishment Owners
  - Home Food Processing Inspectors
- ▶ Present new Mission and Vision statements to Task Force members
- ▶ Develop organizational governance document
- ▶ Identify or develop a course on pH, water activity, and soluble solids' impact on food product safety
- ▶ Collect baseline data on home food processing establishments and share results with Iowa's Task Force and FDA
- ▶ Attend another state's Task Force meeting



## Vision and Mission

- ▶ **Vision:** A safe and secure food supply from farm to table for all Iowa
- ▶ **Mission:** The Iowa Food Protection Task Force collaborates with all partners in food safety and defense to achieve foodborne illness prevention, intervention and response. We serve as the resource for safe food and feed information and education.