Task Force Member Survey Results





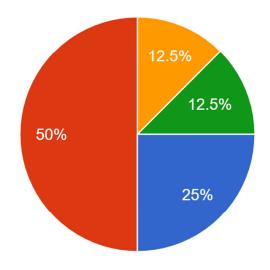
Background

- Survey created by the Task Force Advisory Board 10 questions
- Emailed to all Task Force members November 14, 2024
- Responses collected until November 29, 2024
- Eight responded to the survey
- ► Five, or 62.5%, are affiliated with a Regulatory Agency (local, state, or federal)
- ► Three, or 37.5%, are affiliated with Academia (cooperative extension, CIRAS or any affiliation with a university)





How long have you been a member of the Iowa Food Protection Task Force? 8 responses



Less than one yearBetween one to five yearsLonger than five yearsNot sure





Mission and Vision Statements

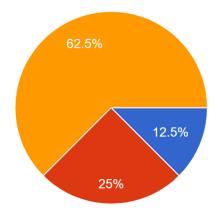
- ▶ Vision Statement 100% agreement
- Mission Statement 75% agreement
 - One did not agree, and one said "I have no opinion either way."
- ► Comment on Mission Statement "How can the Task Force achieve the first sentence?":
 - ► The Iowa Food Protection Task Force collaborates with all partners in food safety and defense to achieve foodborne illness prevention, intervention and response.
 - ▶ The Advisory Board response: Collaboration is the key word
 - ▶ Members are partners sharing information which benefits all





Meeting Format

Please indicate your preference for future Iowa Food Protection Task Force meetings. 8 responses



- Keep all future meetings virtual
- Keep all future meetings in-person
- I like the flexibility to have some meetings virtual and some in-person





Selection of Task Force Topics and Speak

- 1. **Six respondents:** Recalls of Food and Food Ingredients Affecting Iowa How do Recalls Work?
- 2. **Five Respondents:** Traceability Rule, Novel Foods and/or Processes, Small Businesses (very small food processors or other small businesses)
- 3. **Four Respondents:** Foodborne Illness Outbreak Prevention, Meat and Poultry Inspections, Disaster Response and Emergency Meal Service Locations
- 4. **Three Respondents:** Emerging Foodborne Illnesses, Home Food Processing Establishments, Generational Diversity in the Foodservice Industry
- 5. One Respondent: Senior Meal Sites and Meal Deliveries, Pet and Livestock Food, Connection to Animal Food Rule





Comments on Task Force Topics and Speakers

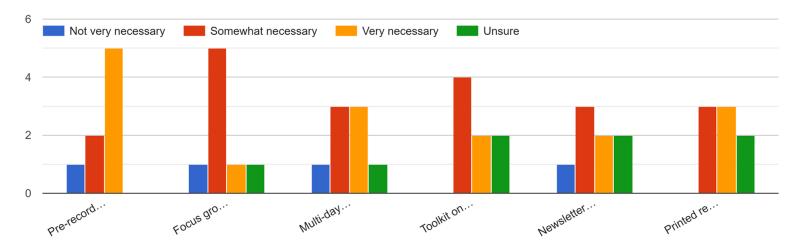
- ✓ FSMA applies to animal food as well: animal food risk is mainly mycotoxin based. If we ever had a big outbreak in Iowa, our commodity industry would be in a real bind
- ✓ Dr. Benjamin Chapman, Department Head, Agriculture and Human Sciences, NC State University





Food Protection Resource Need

Please rate the types of resources you would like the Iowa Food Protection Task Force to provide to the general public and industry.







Food Protection Resource Needs

- Pre-recorded webinars
- Multi-day Conference
- Printed materials
- ► Focus group and toolkit tied for fourth
- Newsletter





Member Invites to Task Force

- Survey question asked for names of other organizations to invite
 - **▶** Grain Industry Organizations
 - **►** Large Franchise Industry Partners





Final Survey Comments

- ► IEHA could potentially help with trainings or help with planning an event.
- Last meeting was very good. It is unfortunate that more people did not attend.
- Good to stay proactive rather than reactive to problems.
- ► The Task Force work is very important!
- More industry involvement
- Happy to be a member





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