

Dairy Practices Council®

New Member Orientation

46th Annual Conference
November 3-6, 2015
Burlington, VT



Objectives of DPC

- Develop & distribute educational guidelines
- Guidelines are designed to improve sanitation & production practices in the production of milk & dairy products
- DPC cooperates with other organizations that have similar educational goals



DPC Annual Conference

- 3 day conference takes place each Fall. Usually starts the day after election day in November
- Task Forces meet concurrently and provide a forum where topics of common interest can be shared with the attendees



DPC Financing

- Financed by membership dues, Sustaining Member dues, by supporting Cooperative Extensions, by supporting State Ag & Health departments, & by Federal FDA & USDA
- This makes possible the distribution of DPC Guidelines to the Dairy Industry in the US & throughout the world.



DPC Organization

Governing body, Executive Board

- **State Government**
- **Federal Government** – FDA, USDA
- **Dairy Industry:** Representatives from Production, Processing, & Service areas of the industry
- **Education:** Representatives from Production & Processing
- **At Large:** - with activities / expertise in support of the dairy industry
- **Task Force Directors**



Guideline Development

- Developed in Task Forces by people who have an interest in the guideline topic.
- There are approximately 100 Guidelines currently in print - available in PDF format for download and on thumb drives! More are in the development process.
- Guidelines are periodically updated & revised, depending on changes in technology or procedures.



Guideline Development

Peer Review

- Each Guideline goes through several levels of peer review.
- Peer Review insures that Guidelines represent the state of knowledge at the time they are written.



Guideline Development

Three step development process

1. **White cover-** a Guideline developed by the task force and is in draft form and open to revision.
2. **Yellow cover-** A Guideline completed & ready for final review by Key Sanitarians in each state who can insert footnotes and recommend changes if their state standards & regulations differ from the text.
3. **Green cover** – A Guideline in final copy & ready for distribution

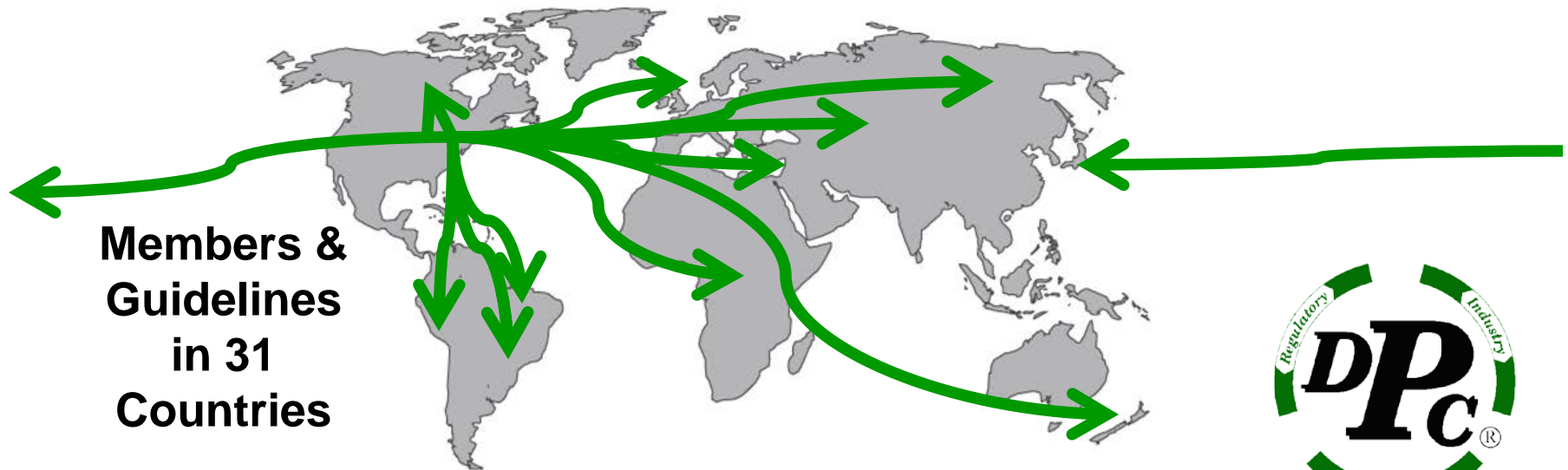


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Brazil
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France

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Ireland
Israel
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Japan
Malaysia
Mexico
New Zealand

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**Members &
Guidelines
in 31
Countries**



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At Large Board Member

- **Keith Hay**
Pennsylvania Milk Marketing Board
Harrisburg, PA



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Milk Marketing Board

Task Forces

- DPC Guidelines are started, developed and completed in a Task Force.
- DPC Members may belong to any or all six of the following Task Forces:



Task Force I

Farm Buildings & Equipment

Director: John Tyson

Penn State University
University Park, PA



- Activities & guidelines of this Task Force involve buildings & equipment for dairy operations.
- Systems include designs for handling cows, feed, milk, ventilation, & manure.



Task Force II

Plant Equipment & Procedures

Director: Allen Saylor

Center for Food Safety & Regulatory Solutions
Woodbridge, VA



- To develop meaningful guidelines for procedures and equipment involved in dairy plant operations.
- To promote uniformity between the states.



Task Force III

Laboratory & QC Procedures

Director: Pat Healy
USDA Market Administrator
Lenexa, KS



- To cover topics related to laboratory, quality control, product evaluation & trouble shooting procedures.
- To cover methods of assuring quality through good production & manufacturing procedures.



Task Force IV

Regulatory Issues and HACCP

Director: Steve DiVincenzo

Illinois Department of Public Health
Springfield, IL



- To foster communications & uniformity between the states.
- This Task Force has been assigned guidelines concerning inspections as well as those relating to HACCP.
- **This task force will meet with Task Force II**
- **There are HACCP guidelines under development**



Task Force V

Milking Systems & Procedures

Director: Steve Lehman

Michigan Milk Producers
Novi, MI



- To address guidelines relating to milking system design, equipment and facility function and cleaning.



Task Force VI

Small Ruminants

Director: Chris Hylkema

NY State Dept of Ag & Mkts.
Albany, NY



- To develop guidelines pertaining to all aspects of production and processing for dairy goat, sheep and other small ruminant operations.



Enjoy the Conference

- Participate in Guideline development and review
 - Network
- Learn from the experts during our Educational Sessions
 - Visit our Sponsors' Displays
 - Enjoy treats at the dairy bar

