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Tuesday, December 2, 2025		
Moderator: Davonna Koebrick, Texas Department of State Health Services		
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Call to Order & Welcome - Davonna Koebrick, Texas Department of State Health Services; Sofia Stifflemire, Texas Department of State Health Services	
10:30 am – 11:30 pm	Association of Food & Drug Officials (AFDO) President Update – Kimberly Stryker, Alaska Division of Environmental Health	
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	Sovereign Citizens – Inspection, Compliance and Enforcement Challenges- Aaron Winslow, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services	
12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	LUNCH BREAK	
Moderator: Justin McConaghy, Oklahoma Department of Agriculture		
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	U.S. Army Veterinary Services: Protecting the Military Food Supply Since 1916 – Leanna Lester, Chief Warrant Officer, Deputy Chief, Food Protection Division	
1:30 pm – 2:00 pm	Integrated Food Safety System Regulatory and Laboratory Training System (RLTS) National Curriculum Standards- Gerald Wojtala, International Food Protection Training Institute (IFPTI)	
2:00 pm – 2:30 pm	MCAFDO Business Meeting and Awards Presentation	
2:30 pm – 2:35 pm	DAY ONE CLOSING REMARKS	
Wednesday, December 3, 2025		
Moderator: Hunter Galusha, Nebraska Department of Agriculture		
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Opening Remarks- Hunter Galusha	
10:15 am – 11:00 am	Tackling Cyclospora in Texas- Tishara Coleman and Samantha Spencer, Texas Department of State Health Services	
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Food Traceability Rule: An Industry Perspective - Michael Devine, HEB	
12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	Lunch Break	



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Moderator: Paige Anderson, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services		
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Mushrooms – Identification, Foraging, and Selling – Chelsea J. Harbach, Ph.D., Iowa State University; Nick Frillman, University of Illinois Extension	
1:30 pm – 2:00 pm	Produce Safety Update- Justin McConaghy, Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry; Rene Nieto, Texas Department of Agriculture	
2:00 pm – 2:30 pm	U.S Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Office of Human Food Inspectorate Central Update- LaTonya Mitchell, FDA	
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	AFDO Executive Director Update- Steve Mandernach, Association of Food and Drug Officials	
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm	Day Two Closing Remarks	
Thursday, December 4, 2025		
Moderator: Phillip Fruechting, Arkansas Department of Health		
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Opening Remarks- Phillip Fruechting	
10:15 am – 11:00 am	Oral Culture Project: Teaching basic food safety concepts to food workers with a picture-based presentation – Rosa Stillwell, Boulder County Public Health	
11:00 am – 11:45 am	Is Mushroom Candy Safe? – Haylea Stuteville and Davonna Koebrick, Texas Department of State Health Services	
11:45 am – 12:15 pm	2024 Food Code Supplement – Jason Guzman, Texas Department of State Health Services	
12:15 pm – 12:45 pm	LUNCH BREAK	
Moderator: Lori Woznicki, Texas Department of State Health Services		
12:45 pm – 2:15 pm	"Food Safety Culture for All: Building Public Health Accountability in Food Safety Agencies" - Carrie Rigdon, Association of Food and Drug Officials	
2:15 pm - 2:30 pm	New MCAFDO President	
2:30 pm – 2:45 pm	CLOSING REMARKS AND MEETING ADJOURN	

