



**ASPCRO Public Health Committee Meeting**  
Teams Meeting Agenda  
**July 23, 2021**

On behalf of the ASPCRO Public Health Committee, I am submitting this report as an Annual Report for the Committee meeting held on July 23, 2021 via Microsoft Teams. The Committee last met on July 7, 2020.

**In attendance:**

Mary Begin, Chair (DC)  
Susan Jennings (EPA)  
Stan Cope (Technical Products and Services)  
Michael Kelly (TX)  
Jim Fredericks (NPMA)  
Julie Spagnoli (JMPS Consulting Services)  
Dr. Brittany Campbell (NPMA)  
Courtney Frazier (FL)  
Norman Goldenberg (EPA Retired)  
Donald Baumgartner (EPA)

**Introductions**

We welcomed back Dr. Brittany Campbell from NPMA. Brittany was a guest at our last meeting, and we hope she can join the committee on a regular basis. We also welcomed Courtney Frazier, a guest from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and likewise hope that she will continue to attend.

**Old Business**

After introductions Mary Begin (Chair) shared that ASPCRO has a Pest Management in Schools Committee that developed an Antimicrobial Advisory Document, and that the committee may want to table any further discussion of educating the public on Antimicrobials to avoid duplication of efforts.

The Committee reflected on those topics that have been highlighted during past meetings

- Education available to the committee and the public on Antimicrobials with a focus on schools and childcare facilities.
- Illegal pesticides found on the shelf during marketplace inspections and how we can educate the public. Focus on educating store managers on how to read the label and identify any discrepancies that could point to a possibility that the product is not registered for use.
- Timely legitimate materials to enable the States to share information within their own Agencies but also the public.
- Consistency among the states when evaluating 25b products for public health pests and required information for efficacy review.

## **New Business**

Some members of the Committee expressed concern regarding the clarity of the PHC's goals and where the focus of attention should be. PHC discussions in the past two years have focused on education available to the public on antimicrobials with a focus on schools and childcare facilities; Illegal pesticides found on the shelf during marketplace inspections and how we can educate the public; and educating store managers on how to read the label and identify any discrepancies that could point to a possibility that the product is not registered for use. There was also discussion that the PHC should determine which issues are of the most concern for SLA/Territories/Tribes and simplify our agenda so we can be more effective. Others also questioned whether the Committee should shift to addressing immediate structural pest control issues.

The meeting ended with Mary sharing 2 You-tube videos and a link to web site regarding Climate Change and vector borne disease

~Climate Change and Vector Borne Disease

<https://youtu.be/1K14JgpHoSs>

~How climate change can impact mosquito-borne diseases

[https://youtu.be/RA\\_3eWhVuD8](https://youtu.be/RA_3eWhVuD8)

[https://www.cimmyt.org/news/pests-and-diseases-and-climate-change-is-there-a-connection/Pests and diseases and climate change: Is there a connection?](https://www.cimmyt.org/news/pests-and-diseases-and-climate-change-is-there-a-connection/Pests%20and%20diseases%20and%20climate%20change%3A%20Is%20there%20a%20connection?)

## **Next Steps**

- Mary Begin will reach out to the ASPCRO Board of Directors to clarify how the Committee can best meet the expectation of the ASPCRO members.
- A survey can be sent out to the SLA/Territories/Tribes to identify which public health concerns they consider high priority.
- Focus on one specific issue with one goal to streamline the Agenda

Respectfully submitted 8/4/2021

*Mary Begin*

Mary Begin, Chair, ASPCRO Public Health Committee