

ASPCRO Public Health Committee Mid-Year Meeting Notes

April 21, 2026, 11:00 EST, Orlando Florida

1. Greetings to all in attendance.
2. Brief review regarding past topics RE: PFAS and Mist Blowers. (Any updates, new information from the group).
 - PFAS – should the definition be narrowed, it might not be likely
 - What would be the outcome if we don't have specific pesticides to control pests? What is the public health impact of losing these pesticides, controlling pests? (bifenthrin, fipronil)
 - Minnesota and Maine have broad PFAS definitions.
 - Michigan does not have a definition yet.
 - How are other states handling PFAS with pesticides?
3. Public Housing Pests, Health Departments.
 - Integrate with sanitarians and public health officials
 - Disconnect with public health officials and pest control
 - Issues like asthma with German cockroaches
 - Allergies from housing pests and mental health issues.
 - How can this get quantified to handle these issues.
4. Bedbugs in the Community.
 - Introduction situations and when does that get to an infestation
 - Michigan has a public health manual for bed bugs. Eric Foster
 - [Michigan Manual for the Prevention and Control of Bed Bugs - DocsLib](#)
 - How do we better facilitate sharing information with public health?
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5. Next meetings for 2026.
 - 4th Thursdays of the month at 9:00am
 - June 25th
6. Any other business.
 - Thought for project – Put together a Google Survey to send out to state and/or local public health departments to gather information on what knowledge sources they have regarding public health pests and specific resources and or regulations. This could make for a good presentation and need to share with NEHA. NEHA would probably be able to send the survey out to their members. There are also state level organizations too. (from Janine)
7. Adjourn.