



2025 HEALTH OFFICER CONFERENCE

8:15 - 8:45 AM | Registration & Continental Breakfast with Vendors

8:45 - 9:00 AM | Welcome – NH Health Officer Association

Wayne Whitford, *President, NH Health Officers Association*

Brian Lockard, *Vice President, NH Health Officers Association*

9:00 - 9:50 AM | Let's Do It Asbestos We Can!

This presentation will provide a brief introduction to Asbestos, review its health effects, and dive into an overview of asbestos regulations and requirements for renovation and demolition projects in New Hampshire. The presentation is designed to make Health Officers and Customers aware of regulatory requirements to help deter potential violations before they occur. Time will be provided for a question-and-answer segment with the audience at the end of the presentation.

Andrew Pomeroy, Asbestos Management Section, NH DES

9:50 - 10:10 AM | Coffee with Vendors

10:10 - 10:30 AM | DHHS Health Officer Liaison Update

Joanne will provide updates on the work of the Health Officer Liaison Program. She will review upcoming trainings, current initiatives, legislative updates, and other important reminders.

Joanne Cotton, DHHS

10:30 - 11:15 AM | Healthy Swimming in New Hampshire: A Deep Dive into the Beach and CyanoHAB Program

This presentation will provide an overview of both the NHDES Beach Inspection Program and the Cyanobacteria Harmful Algal Bloom Program. Information will include the current monitoring status, guidance on how to safely recreate in NH waters, and how a local health officer can assist in promoting healthy swimming. You will also learn about resources such as the Healthy Swimming Mapper and Cyanobacteria Bloom Report Form.

Michele Busi, Beach Inspection Program Coordinator, NH DES

11:15 – 12:00 PM | NH Municipal Association Information & Legislative Updates

Brodie will be discussing the workings of the NHMA and how Health Officers can interact and benefit from their services. Also, he will give an update on legislation that pertains to Health Officers and the varying landscape of the legislature.

Brodie Deshaies, Legislative Advocate, NH Municipal Association

12:00 - 1:00 PM | Lunch & Visit Vendors

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1:00 - 2:00 PM | Tick Testing and Community Health: A Collaborative Approach to Understand our Outdoors

Tickborne Diseases are an emerging and widespread cause of human illness in New Hampshire. In this session, we will explore a new NH DHHS-led project that utilizes tick dragging (a method of tick surveillance) to identify areas in New Hampshire where tick-human encounters are likely and where tick-borne diseases are present. Join us to learn about the project and how NH municipalities can participate.

Marco Notarangelo, Vectorborne Disease Surveillance Coordinator

Tiffanie Meekins, State's Vector-Borne Disease Biologist

2:00 - 3:00 PM | Health Officer Case Study Review

Learn from your peers' experiences with a review of situations health officers have found themselves in. During this discussion we will break up into small groups and discuss septic failures, hoarding cases, and more. These case studies will showcase how health officers utilized local and state codes as well as their authority to respond to public health concerns.

Joanne Cotton, DHHS

3:05 PM | Adjourn ~ Thank You! Drive Safe

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