

SANITARIANS' NEWS



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VOLUNTARY NATIONAL RETAIL FOOD REGULATORY PROGRAM STANDARDS

Has your department considered Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards? There is tons of great information and resources out there to help you get started!



Any photos, stories, or any good news? Share in the Fall 2021 issue of the:

Sanitarians' News Letter

Please contact:

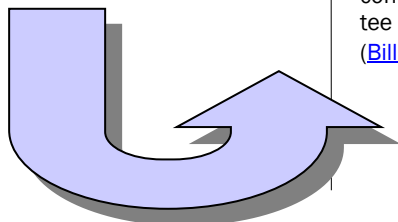
Emilee Melchior
(Emilee.j.melchior@wv.gov).

<https://www.retailfoodsafetycollaborative.org/study-identifies-barriers-to-enrolling-in-the-voluntary-national-retail-food-regulatory-program-standards/>

<https://www.naccho.org/programs/environmental-health/hazards/food-safety/retail-program-standards-mentorship?searchType=standard&lhd-state=WV#example-policies-and-forms>

<https://www.fda.gov/food/retail-food-protection/voluntary-national-retail-food-regulatory-program-standards>

GET INVOLVED WITH WVAS!



Run for Office

WVAS is looking for candidates to run for office in the Fall 2021 election. Please contact Nomination Committee Chair, Bill Nestor (Bill.E.Nestor@wv.gov).

Nominate

Know anyone that deserves recognition for their contributions to environmental health? Nominate them for the Steve Bayer, Recognition, Citizen, or Bubba Award. Info is found at <http://www.wvdhhr.org/wvas/awards.asp> or contact Awards Committee Chair, Stan Mills (Stanley.B.Mills@wv.gov)

Congratulations

Rick Snaman, Putnam County Health Department, took home the 2020 Bubba Award!

Every sanitarian in WV took home the Steve Bayer award in recognition for their efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Liaison Committee

The Liaison Committee met on May 4, 2021
Topics discussed were:

Movement to the cloud based system. A demo of this system will be available to local health soon. Partial suspension of routine inspections is still in place. Transition to google for those who are part of the “.gov” system. Primitive camp grounds and waste disposal. Permitting mobile food vendors. OLS is starting to look into Legionella testing. RTIA has found some elevated lead levels in several homes and the engineering division is following up. WVAS is looking for people to run for office. Kearneysville District Sanitarian position is open. OEHS will be posting a position located in Charleston that will work with both the food and sewage programs.

Next Liaison Meeting to be held August 9, 2021

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The legislative session ran from January 13– April 10, 2021.

The following environmental health related issues were introduced and passed: **HB 2427 relating to dogs in bars.** There was an emergency filing of 64CSR17 Food Establishment Rule due to bill being passed that allowed for a companion dog in an establishment that is a private club, brewpub, or microdistillery.



COVID-19 EXECUTIVE ORDERS



West Virginia Secretary of State
Mac Warner

West Virginia Secretary of State — Online Data Services

Administrative Law Business & Licensing Elections Miscellaneous

Administrative Law

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<http://apps.sos.wv.gov/adlaw/executivejournal/searchexecutiveorders.aspx>

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<https://governor.wv.gov/Pages/The-Comeback.aspx>

NO ROAD IS LONG WITH GOOD COMPANY



Monongalia County Health Department, Environmental Staff



Cara Harding, Berkeley County



Samantha Beaudoin, Randolph County



Cabell-Huntington Health Department, Environmental Staff



A.J. Root, Mineral County

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO ?

Recently RS/REHS credentialed? Or other new credential? Share that information with your colleagues!

New Staff? New Programs?

New program at your LHD? We would like to know.

Is your LHD providing training for staff or establishments? Let us know.

Newly married or new addition to your family?

Have something going on in your county? Send pictures of events or awards to Emilee at Emilee.J.Melchior@wv.gov also they can be included here!



ATTENTION: 2021 WV Public Health Association annual meeting has been canceled

Mid Year is planned to be at Glade Springs in 2022

WV RRT Training: Virtual Traceback Training May 24-27, 2021. Please contact Emilee Melchior for more information.
Emilee.J.Melchior@wv.gov

WV Sanitarian Training School is "TOP NOTCH" Fall 2021 Sanitarian Training Class will be virtual. Class Dates Are: August 2-6, August 23-27, September 13-17 and September 27-October 1
Please contact Suzzette Dellinger to register.
Suzzette.C.Dellinger@wv.gov

VIRTUAL INSERVICE MEETINGS

<u>OEHS</u>	
May 18th	9-11AM
OEHS	
June 7th	9-11AM
WVAS	
June 29th	9-11AM
OEHS	
July 27th	9-11AM
OEHS	
August 17th	9-11AM
OEHS	
September 13th	9-11AM
WVAS	
September 27th	9-11AM
OEHS	
October 19th	9-11AM
OEHS	
November 8th	9-11AM
WVAS	
November 30th	9-11AM
OEHS	
December 13th	9-11AM
OEHS	





WVAS Virtual Mixer

May 25, 2021 07:30 PM

Hope to see you there!

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86731869748?pwd=SGtabnV3TkdsYVJES3EzNXJtZlgwdz09>

Meeting ID: 867 3186 9748

Passcode: 996428

Dial In: (929) 205-6099

WVAS is on Facebook!

WVAS now has a closed group on Facebook to share news and information with members. Request to join at

www.facebook.com/groups/263384244100903/



We're on the Web

wvaos.org

WVAS EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Elected Officers

President: Jennifer Hutson

Vice-President: Keith Allison

Members at Large

2-Year: Mark Hawkins

1-Year: James Casdorph

Appointed Members

Secretary-Treasurer: Brad Cochran **Newsletter:** Emilee Melchior

Ex-Officio Member

Public Health Sanitation Director: Judy Vallandingham

MESSAGE FROM WVAS

Spread the word about the mixers and in-services, and let your fellow sanitarians know that even though we can't meet in person, WVAS is still working on your behalf to keep you up to date and provide some fellowship. We look forward to seeing you soon.

To become a member of the WV Association of Sanitarians, submit application and membership dues to:

West Virginia Association of Sanitarians (WVAS)

Brad Cochran, Secretary/ Treasurer

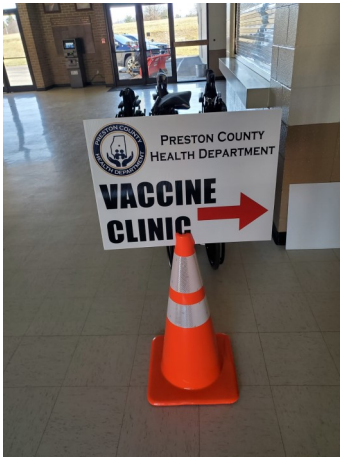
P.O. Box 784

Beckley, WV 25802

Application can be found on WVAOS.org

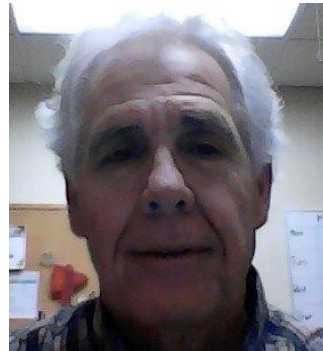
What's The Good News?

Over 735,000 West Virginia residents have received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine! Thank you for your hard work!

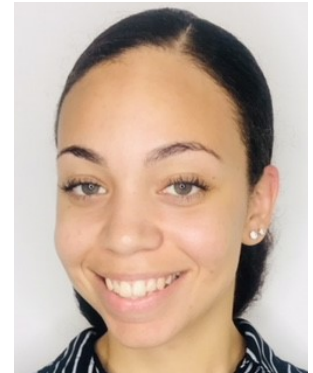


Data Source: WVDHHR
5/11/21
Image: Preston Co. Health Department Facebook

NEW FACES!



WVAS would like to welcome the Winter 2021 Sanitarian Training Class



Top Row: Alexis Drake, Monongalia County/
Jerry Bias, Boone County/
Marty Snider, Berkeley County

Middle Row: Laura Wyatt, Kanawha-Charleston/
Mickayla LaCour, Berkeley County

Bottom Row: Megan Green, Kanawha-Charleston/
Kristopher Barrett, Boone County/
Stephanie Brooks, Wyoming County