



February 19, 2016

1. Agenda Item: Update/discussion from Method Detection Limit (MDL) Sub-committee
 - It was determined that the group must source pesticide free marijuana in order to carry out the MDL study.
 - It was decided that the MDL study protocol should be based on the most recent EPA method.
 - A detailed MDL study protocol must be outlined.
 - The group will first focus on flower and then move on to concentrates.

Assignment

The committee will draft a detailed study protocol for review and comments prior to the next meeting.

2. Agenda Item: Update/discussion from Marijuana Sampling Sub-committee
 - The topic of sample preservation was discussed and an overall need for such information identified.
 - The group is in agreement that there is a need for sampling protocols at all levels and this sub-committee will begin to work towards development of these protocols.
 - The sub-committee identified around twenty factors that may have an impact on the statistical determination for sampling marijuana.
 - There is disagreement regarding the need for third party sampling. Some advocated that industry should have sampling plans and that those sampling plans be certified and inspected. During inspection/certification random samples could be taken to ensure compliance with the sampling protocol. Third party options should be available for those who do not want to expend the time and money training/certifying their own staff.
 - It was suggested that a hybrid sampling system similar to that used in ground beef and other industries might be implemented in this situation; the vendor is required to sample using either a hired sampler or by internal sampling and using an agreed upon sampling method. Random sampling by MED would still occur in addition to the routine sampling.
 - The sub-committee agreed to compile a sampling draft and share it with the group prior to the next meeting.
 - CDPHE and MED agreed to determine what matrices will require testing.

Assignment

The committee will prioritize the factors to be taken into account for the statistical determination for marijuana sampling. CDPHE/MED will determine what marijuana products will be tested for pesticides.

3. Agenda Item: Update/discussion from Pesticide Testing List Sub-committee
 - It was decided that the list should consist only of those pesticides that are not tolerance exempt and are not part of the approved pesticide list.
 - The list was down to 39 pesticides but was further downsized to 13 pesticides that have been identified in marijuana in Colorado.

- It was noted that lab test reports should include a disclaimer that not all potential/existing pesticides have been tested for.