

HCPA's Annual Pesticide Regulation Workshop Step toe, Washington, D.C.

September 15 – September 17, 2026

Day One		
	Registration and Breakfast	8:30 to 9:00 AM
1	An Overview of Pesticide Regulation. The important sections of FIFRA. Why FIFRA is a mix of registration and misbranding law. The business objectives of regulatory compliance. Important resources. The roles of EPA and the states.	9:00 – 10:00 <i>Michael Boucher (Step toe)</i>
2	Understanding Regulated Products. The intent test for pesticides. Differences between pesticides, devices, treated articles, and application equipment. Substances excluded from FIFRA regulation. Products that are not pesticides for assorted reasons. Pesticides that are exempted from FIFRA regulation. Pesticides that may be distributed or sold without registration.	10:00 – 10:45 <i>Michael Boucher (Step toe)</i>
	Break	10:45 – 11:00
3	EPA Registering Divisions – Roundtable. Overview of and update regarding activities within EPA's Antimicrobials, Biopesticides & Pollution Prevention, and Registration Divisions.	11:00 – 12:00 <i>Billy Smith, RD Division Director</i> <i>Kristen Willis, AD Division Director</i> <i>Shannon Borges, BPPD Division Director</i>
	Lunch	12:00 to 1:00 PM
4	Key Considerations for Pesticide Product Development. Elements of a successful strategy to obtain approvals and bring new pesticide products to the market, including product formulation, product label development, registration data requirements, budget development, timelines, and state-law considerations.	1:00 – 1:45 <i>Abigail Wacek (Sagentia Regulatory)</i>
5	Types of Pesticides. Types of pesticides, including treated articles and other pesticides not subject to registration.	1:45 – 2:30 <i>Jonathan Walsh (Sagentia Regulatory)</i>
	Break	2:30 – 2:45
6	Importing and Exporting Pesticides. Importing pesticides, including the Notice of Arrival of Pesticides and Devices and the electronic equivalent (eNOA). Options for importing misbranded pesticides. Exporting pesticides, including the labeling of pesticides for export. Purchaser acknowledgment statements for exports of unregistered pesticides.	2:45 – 3:45 <i>Michael Boucher (Step toe)</i>
7	MyPest Presentation. Update on latest MyPest features and hands-on feature demonstration with question and answer.	3:45 – 4:45 <i>Dan Schoeff (EPA)</i>
	Reception Hosted by Step toe	4:45 to 5:45 PM EDT

Day Two		
	Breakfast	8:00 to 8:30 AM EDT
8	Pesticide Devices. FIFRA requirements for selling and distributing (including importing and exporting) devices. PRIA M009 device determinations. Increased prevalence of devices and device issues, including but not limited to qualifying and substantiating product performance (efficacy) claims.	8:30 – 9:00 <i>Abigail Wacek (Sagentia Regulatory)</i>
9	PRIA Update & PRIA Code Selection. An update on PRIA 5 implementation, ongoing PRIA 6 reauthorization discussions, and upcoming changes to action categorization.	9:00 – 9:45 <i>Steve Bennett (HCPA)</i>
10	Building an Application Package. Administrative forms. Data volumes. Labeling. CDX portal requirements including types of submissions (notification, fast-track amendments, and PRIA amendment) - also CSF formatting.	9:45 – 10:45 <i>Jonathan Walsh (Sagentia Regulatory)</i>
11	Reporting and Recordkeeping. Reporting and recordkeeping under FIFRA. Establishing registration and reporting. Recordkeeping requirements for producers. Risk/benefit (“adverse effects”) reporting under section 6(a)(2) of FIFRA.	10:45 – 11:45 <i>Michael Boucher (Steptoe)</i>
12	Inert Ingredients and Tolerance Petitions. EPA databases. PRIA fees. Data requirements.	11:45 – 12:15 <i>Jonathan Walsh (Sagentia Regulatory)</i>
	Lunch	12:15 to 1:15
13	Understanding Data Compensation. Claim preparation. The arbitration process. Current trends.	1:15 – 1:45 <i>Michael Boucher (Steptoe)</i>
14	Registration Review. How to prepare and respond, including options for responding to EPA data call-in (DCI) notices, and how this applies to existing and new registrations. The importance of joint data development task forces.	1:45 – 2:15 <i>Jonathan Walsh (Sagentia Regulatory)</i>
15	FIFRA Enforcement. Overview of FIFRA’s unlawful acts. How EPA determines FIFRA violations. Enforcement responses available to EPA under FIFRA, including stop sale, use, or removal orders. How EPA calculates civil monetary penalties. Avoiding FIFRA enforcement by self-auditing under EPA’s voluntary disclosure policies. Interplay between state enforcement in lieu of federal enforcement.	2:15 – 3:00 <i>Michael Boucher (Steptoe)</i>
	Break	3:00 – 3:15
15	Hot Topics: Durnell v. Monsanto; Spanish language labeling; PFAS; etc.	3:15 – 3:45
16	State Regulation of Pesticides. An overview of state pesticide regulation. Types of state-specific product registrations (adjuvants, devices, minimum-risk pesticides, fertilizers, etc.).	3:45 – 5:00 <i>Pete Stevenson (Sagentia Regulatory)</i>
	Dinner on Your Own	5:00 PM EDT

Day Three		
	Breakfast	8:30 to 9:00 AM
17	Practicum. Attendees will be provided with the materials and data packages necessary to build a pesticide application. Attendees will then apply the knowledge garnered throughout the workshop to build a pesticide application. Presenters will facilitate the process.	9:00 – 11:00 <i>Presenters and attendees</i>
	Break	11:00 – 11:15
18	Practicum (continued) with Working Lunch.	11:15 – 1:45 <i>Presenters and attendees</i>
19	Practicum Lessons Learned. Attendees and presenters will share lessons learned from the practicum.	1:45 – 2:45 <i>Presenters and attendees</i>
	Workshop Ends	2:45 PM