

Federal Regulation of Probiotics
Agenda – Meeting One
June 14, 2010
University of Maryland School of Law

8:30-9:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:15 Introduction and Welcome
Diane Hoffmann

9:15 – 9:45 Introduction of Meeting Participants

9:45 – 10:15 History of Probiotics
Mary Ellen Sanders

10:15-10:30 Break

10:30-11:00 The Human Microbiome Project
Claire Fraser-Liggett

11:00-11:15 The Current State of Probiotic Research
Pat Hibberd

11:15-12:30 Small Group Discussions

- What concerns relating to probiotics do participants have that they hope this project will address?
- From each participant's professional vantage point - what are the gaps in the science relating to the risks and benefits of probiotics?
- Is there anything we should consider regarding risks and benefits that is not addressed in the literature, e.g., family, community, environmental concerns?

12:30-1:30 Lunch/Open Session

1:30-2:15 Report on Small Group Discussions

2:15-2:45 Introduction to Categories of FDA Regulated Products
Frank Palumbo

2:45-3:00 Case Study - Genetically Modified Food
Jack Schwartz

3:00-4:00 Small Group Discussions

- Is there anything intrinsically different about probiotic products that make them different from other regulated health-related products?

4:00-4:30 Report on Small Group Discussions

4:30-4:45 Closing Remarks