

New Hampshire Bites Back: Working Together to Beat Bed Bugs
Monday, November 21, 2011
8:00am – 4:00pm
Holiday Inn – Concord, NH

8:00 A.M. Registration/Continental Breakfast

8:45 A.M. Welcome

Maggie Fogarty, American Friends Service Committee, Bed Bug Action Committee
Lorraine Merrill, Commissioner of Agriculture, Markets & Food
Robert DiJoseph, Bed Bug Central

9:10 A.M. Opening Plenary - Bed Bugs, Our Past is Our Present

There is a long and intimate history of bed bug association with humans. It is sometimes important to look backward to be able to look forward. Our forefathers had knowledge and experience especially with Integrated Pest Management that we would do well to learn from. This talk is an examination of the history of bed bug management and the direct effects it has on us today.

Dr. Gale Ridge, Connecticut Agriculture Experiment Station

10:15 A.M. Panel Discussion I
Integrated Pest Management:
Tackling the bed bug problem with the best tools

Bed bugs present a unique challenge to anyone attempting to control or manage them. When managing other pests, a pesticide application can be used to bring an outbreak under control when all other non-chemical methods have failed. For bed bugs, today's chemical tools fail to perform this function. If you can't halt or remedy a raging bed bug infestation with sprays, what can you do? Integrated Pest Management (IPM) seeks to alleviate pest outbreaks by attacking the weakest links in pest biology and exploiting the least hazardous and most permanent remedies first. Bed bugs don't play by the rules. For them IPM is a MUST. Kevin Moran will kick-off this session explaining what IPM is and why bed bug control cannot be achieved without it. Ted St. Amand will follow with a discussion of the importance of early detection and current detection/monitoring tools. Gary Nielsen will present the physical (exclusion, heat, freezing, etc.) and chemical means used to manage bed bugs.

Kevin Moran, Residex
Gary Nielsen, JP Pest Services
Ted St. Amand, Atlantic Pest Solutions
Sarah Jane Knoy, Granite State Organizing Project, Moderator

11:15 A.M. Break/Visit with Exhibitors

11:45 A.M. Lunch



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12:15 P.M. Panel Discussion II
Sharing our Successes: IPM strategies that have worked in NH

Phil Alexakos, Manchester Health Department
Mark Foster, Hotel Owner
May Glovinski, Dover Housing Authority
Ted St. Amand, Moderator

1:15 P.M. Moving Forward Together: Creating a statewide network for information sharing and strategic collaboration

Facilitator will give an overview of the afternoon program; explain small groups, and direct people to different meeting spaces.

1:25 P.M. Facilitated discussions in regional groups
(45 minutes for small group meetings, return to plenary session)

Region	Location
<i>Concord/Laconia/Franklin/Berlin</i>	<i>State Room</i>
<i>Manchester</i>	<i>Capitol Room</i>
<i>Nashua</i>	<i>Ballroom</i>
<i>Keene/Claremont/Lebanon</i>	<i>Ballroom</i>
<i>Portsmouth/Dover/Rochester</i>	<i>Ballroom</i>

2:15 P.M. Policy solutions: Ideas for consideration at the national, state and local levels

Pat Long, New Hampshire State Representative, and Manchester Alderman
Gene Harrington, Director of Government Affairs
National Pest Management Association

3:45 P.M. Closing/Raffle

