Power of Association(s)
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Definition of an Association

A group of individuals who voluntarily enter into an agreement to form a body or organization to accomplish a purpose.
History of Associations

- Evidence of Associations in Ancient Egypt, China, Phoenicia, Imperial Rome
- 16th – 18th Centuries – Guilds
- 1768 – Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York
- Today – Today, 91,000 trade and professional associations, and 1,238,201 charitable organizations exist in the US
Types of Associations

- Trade Associations – Business and Corporations
- Professional Society – Individuals of Like Vocations or Occupations (AALAS, ABSA)
- Philanthropic – Charity, Cause, Service
- Fraternal Organization – Social Clubs, Civic Groups, Community
- Membership – Combination, Specific Focus
What Associations Do

- Information Dissemination: Publications, Conferences
- Self-Regulation: Certification, Accreditation, Standards of Practice, Code of Ethics
- Professional Development: Education, Training, Products, Publications
- Public Relations: Influence Publics, Advocacy
- Coalition Building: Common Good
- Scientific Endeavors: Research, Position Statements
- Government Relations: Lobbying, Advocacy
AALAS Animal Biosafety Training Program

2006: Need Identified
2007: Planning Meeting held at AALAS National Meeting
2008: 29 Teleconferences on in-depth content outlines
2009: Meeting hosted by CDC to review the process and work completed
2010: Review meeting hosted by AALAS
2011/2012 First Nine Courses Launched

1. Introduction to Animal Biosafety Training
2. Institutional Responsibilities
3. Occupational Health
4. ABSL-2, -3 Concepts and Practices
5. Risk Assessment & Management
6. Animal Biocontainment Facilities
7. Animal Biocontainment Equipment
8. Biological Decontamination
9. Working Safely in Biocontainment with Laboratory Animals
2012/2013 Seven Additional Courses To Be Launched

3 more courses to be launched in 2012 Q4
10. Working Safely in Biocontainment with Nonhuman Primates
11. Working Safely in Biocontainment with Rabbits and Ferrets
12. Working Safely in Biocontainment with Ungulates

4 remaining courses to be completed in 2013
13. Working Safely in Biocontainment with Mice and Rats
14. Laboratory Biosecurity
15. Select Agents
16. Incident Response
Thank you to ABSA, CDC, Eagleson Institute, Elizabeth R Griffin Research Foundation, and many individuals for your collaboration on the AALAS Animal Biosafety Training Program on the AALAS Learning Library.
Work like you don’t need the money;
Love like you’ve never been hurt; and
Dance like nobody’s watching.