ORGANIC TRADE ASSOCIATION DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS COUNCIL 2018 WORK PLAN

Continued from 2017

- Explore new guidelines from FDA
 - Look into making sure that there is some reciprocity
- File a petition to NOSB to update the nutrient list allowed in NOP certified products
 - Schedule a separate call that would provide the council with training on the background of vitamins and minerals on the National List and the petition/NOSB process.
 - Now looking at petitioning pullulan focus for now (see below)

Education

- Create a guide/pamphlet about organic supplements for organic supplements companies to share with their customers and those interested
 - o Potential to be similar to Organic 101 pamphlet
 - Inclusion of an infographic about labeling differences (e.g., organic, made with organic, etc.)
- Expo West education session
 - Presentation on manufacturer formulations
 - Talk through the challenges in producing organic materials, items that can't be used, etc.
- Hold a webinar or in-person session on a topic of interest to the industry
 - If it is an in-person session, need to decide where to have the in-person session
 - Potential to create a flyer about the in-person session and advertise
 - If it is a webinar, could:
 - Focus on dieticians and healthcare providers at the start of 2018, with the potential of having them come to Organic Week and joining the Council.
 - Be more general with an introduction to a few different areas by interviewing various Council members or OTA staff.

Website

- Continue to develop resources for the Council webpage
 - Guidance document for manufacturers
 - Consumer education
 - Educational events
 - Helpful links

Council Membership

- Recruit more members (set goal for 2018)
 - Retailers
 - Ingredient Suppliers
 - Brands

Policy*

*Reminder that Sector Councils are NOT policy setting groups. If councils identify policy issues that need attention a member task force would need to be convened.

- Work on getting Pullulan added to National list
 - Create a task force / working group to work on a petition and to talk with other industry members who would be interested in getting Pullulan added to the list

<u>Advocacy</u>

- Attend Organic Week May 21-24, 2018
 - o Could be used as the in-person meeting