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THE CMAHC ANNOUNCES VOTING IS OPEN ON PROPOSED MAHC CHANGES

Members can vote electronically from November 21 through December 20 to update the Model Aquatic Health Code.

Decatur, Ga., November 23, 2015 — The [Council for the Model Aquatic Health Code](#) (CMAHC) announces that voting on the 159 Model Aquatic Health Code (MAHC) Change Requests (CRs) is open for members from November 21 through December 20, 2015.

At its first [Vote on the Code Biennial Conference](#) in Scottsdale, Arizona, October 6-7, 2015, the CMAHC responded to members' requests and agreed to allow minor revisions to CRs and to provide another time period to comment on changes proposed for the MAHC; thus voting is taking place later than originally planned. Participation in the conference included over 100 persons on-site and over 80 via Live Stream.

All voting will occur electronically and be weighted so public health officials and industry professionals have equal influence. To vote on the CRs, the CMAHC members can access the voting module by signing-in on the [CMAHC website](#) and, under the Member's Area drop-down choices, select "Member Vote".

Voting results will be posted on the CMAHC website in January 2016. "We ask that members consider voting only on those issues they are really knowledgeable about and abstain from others," said Douglas Sackett, Executive Director of the CMAHC. "Change should be driven by the best practices or data presented. That means if the rationale does not appear to be well supported, then vote the science/best practice; submitters can accumulate more data and try again in the future," he added.

The MAHC and CMAHC are driven by member expertise, so members are encouraged to use their voice and vote. The CMAHC is unique in that no other organization exists exclusively to advocate, evolve, innovate, promote implementation, and organize research in support of, the MAHC. The CMAHC is *your* conduit for funneling advice to CDC on how to improve and update the MAHC. Vote, or join now so you can vote, and add your voice to making the MAHC the best data-driven, science-based guidance it can be.

It is not too late to [become a member](#) so you can share your expertise and have your voice heard! Membership costs only \$40 for two years. For more information about the MAHC or CMAHC, please visit the CMAHC website at www.cmahc.org and/or contact us at info@cmahc.org.

About The CMAHC

The CMAHC is THE conduit for CDC to receive data-driven, science-based MAHC update advice from public health and aquatic industry experts committed to healthy and safe swimming by keeping the MAHC current, sustainable, and easily understood and implemented. It is member driven and sponsor supported. [Become a Member](#). [Become a Sponsor](#). Make aquatics the best it can be! CMAHC.org