Food Safety Resources for Local Health Departments

NACCHO’s food safety portfolio supports local health departments by assessing the needs of their food safety programs, supporting them in foodborne disease outbreak response, and helping them implement continuous quality improvement programs.

NACCHO offers the following food safety resources for local health departments:

**Retail Program Standards Mentorship Program**

The mentorship program matches health departments pursuing the Food and Drug Administration’s Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards with seasoned peer mentors to advance their work toward meeting the standards while building sustained capacity within the health department. The mentorship program webpage includes reports on the impact of the program, webinars, example policies and forms, video testimonials, and other Retail Program Standards resources.

[http://naccho.org/retail-program-standards](http://naccho.org/retail-program-standards)

**Food Safety Toolkit**

The Food Safety Toolkit is a free, online collection of local public health tools for public health professionals and other stakeholders to improve their work in the promotion and advancement of food safety objectives. Tools include case studies, presentations, fact sheets, drills, evaluations, protocols, templates, reports, and training materials. Select “food safety” in the dropdown menu under the search bar to access the toolkit.

[http://toolbox.naccho.org](http://toolbox.naccho.org)

**Food Safety Leaders’ List**

NACCHO’s Food Safety Leaders’ List is a monthly e-newsletter that shares food safety news, policy updates, events, and resources. Subscribers also have the opportunity to provide input to shape policy at local health departments across the nation. To subscribe, go to the “My Subscriptions” page, and check the box next to “Food Safety Leaders’ List.”

[http://eweb.naccho.org/eweb](http://eweb.naccho.org/eweb)
**Food Safety Sharing Session Webinars**

NACCHO has hosted food safety sharing sessions on active managerial control, cottage foods, edible cannabis products, food defense, food trucks, raw milk, reduced oxygen packaging, and more. Webinar recordings and presentations are available online. Scroll down to the “Resources” section to access the webinars.


**Model Practices**

NACCHO’s Model Practices Program honors and recognizes outstanding local public health practice and shares these practices through the Model Practices Database. The database includes dozens of food safety-related practices. Click the “Search” button at the top of the page, and then search “food” to access these practices.

[http://application.naccho.org](http://application.naccho.org)

**Foodborne Illness Outbreak Response Community of Practice**

This community of practice brings together food safety professionals from across the country to share tips and best practices across jurisdictions.

Email achang@naccho.org to join.

**Council to Improve Foodborne Outbreak Response (CIFOR)**

NACCHO is a member of CIFOR, a multidisciplinary collaboration working to improve detection, investigation, control, and prevention of foodborne disease outbreaks. Find resources for foodborne outbreak response on the CIFOR website.

[http://cifor.us](http://cifor.us)

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Visit NACCHO’s food safety webpage for additional resources and program details: