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**Title:**

Electronic Reporting for Health Inspections

**Issue you would like the Conference to consider:**

The issue of electronic reporting for health inspections has been a topic at several meetings of the Conference for Food Protection. It is clear that the increased availability and visibility to health inspection results helps foodservice establishment management and regulators work together to ensure food safety. We urge that substantive progress be made toward this objective.

In 2010, the CFP Electronic Reporting Committee (Issue 2010 II-007) submitted the following statement that was adopted by the Conference:

"The Conference recommends that the Conference Chair write a letter to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) requesting that they develop a database management tool that will enable the analysis of future baseline survey data collected by regulatory agencies to assess and enhance the effectiveness of food safety programs and report back to the Conference for Food Protection."

We urge thatFDA develop a database management tool that will enable the entry and analysis of inspection results, and allow access by establishment owners and operators in order to enhance the effectiveness of food safety programs.

**Public Health Significance:**

It is important that there be visibility to the results of food safety efforts at retail food establishments. The ability to access health inspection information will support clarity in application of health code regulations and in compliance activities. The result is improved food safety performance for the consumer and better protection of the public health.

**Recommended Solution: The Conference recommends...:**

a letter be sent to FDA requesting thatFDA develop a database management tool that will enable the entry and analysis of inspection results, and allow access by establishment owners and operators in order to enhance the effectiveness of food safety programs.

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