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**Title:**

Inclusion of Inspection Result Posting in the Food Code

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

Rigorous health inspections are a critical component of an effective food safety system. The Model Food Code recognizes that the results of restaurant inspections are public documents and should be available for public review. However, complex rules regarding public access create difficulty for consumers who wish to consider inspection results.

**Public Health Significance:**

Consumer access to the results of these inspections plays an important role in maintaining the efficacy and credibility of the inspection system, and allows consumers to consider critical food safety information when making restaurant choices. Recent data show that nearly half of all foodborne illnesses are contracted from food prepared outside the home. Although food establishments are routinely inspected, the results of those inspections are not readily available to consumers-who thus have no way of minimizing their risk by knowing how an establishment performed on its most recent food safety assessment. For more information, visit

<http://www.cspinet.org/dirtydining/index.html>.

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

that a letter be sent to FDA requesting the 2013 Food Code be amended to include the following language to Part 8-4 Inspection and Correction of Violations (new language is underlined):

8-403.51 Public Posting.

The REGULATORY AUTHORITY shall make available the results of the inspection report by requiring the timely posting of the most recent inspection results in the entrance, front window, or similarly prominent consumer-accessible area of the FOOD ESTABLISHMENT. Results may be posted in the form of a letter grade, numerical score, or other form as determined by the REGULATORY AUTHORITY.

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