**Conference for Food Protection**

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**Title:**

Re-create - Hand Hygiene Committee (HHC)

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

re-creating the Hand Hygiene Committee and charged with the following:

1. Work in collaboration with the FDA to:

a. Ascertain if additional definitions are necessary to clarify the hand hygiene procedures listed in the Food Code.

b. Use current research including the documents created by the Committee 2012-2014 (Hand Contamination Event Hazard Chart; Questions to Consider when Evaluating Studies of Alternative Handwashing Approaches; and Scientific, Regulatory and Behavioral Consideration of Hand Hygiene Regimes) to explore if the mandate to wash hands after touching face/hair can be modified.

c. Identify any recent credible research for "when to wash" moments in the Food Code, and document if this research can be used to justify modifications to the Food Code.

2. Report back the Committee's findings and outcomes to the 2016 Biennial Meeting of the Conference for Food Protection.

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