**Conference for Food Protection**

**2016 Issue Form**

**Issue: 2016 III-015**

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| **Council Recommendation:** | Accepted as  Submitted |  | Accepted as Amended |  | No Action |  |
| **Delegate Action:** | Accepted |  | Rejected |  |  |  |

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**Issue History:**

This is a brand new Issue.

**Title:**

Require disposable gloves at foodservice handwash sinks

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

Amend the 2013 FDA Food Code to require each handwashing sink located in food preparation and service areas to be provided with a supply of disposable single-use gloves, if utilized.

**Public Health Significance:**

The proposed new language addresses a major risk factor and is designed to facilitate and achieve immediate corrective action while also supporting long term corrective action. Repeated on site correction changes behavior patterns which leads to long term compliance and lays a foundation that will improve hand hygiene habits.

The location and accessibility of disposable single-use gloves at foodservice handwashing sinks offers an intervention strategy and provides a solution to high priority Food Code violations in Section 2-301.14 (H). If gloves are utilized, they need to be located at the point where handwashing occurs. This will serve to remind and encourage proper handwashing prior to the use of gloves.

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

that a letter be sent to the FDA requesting that a **new** Section be added to the 2013 Food Code as follows (language to be added is underlined):  
**6-301.15**

Each handwashing sink located in food preparation and service areas shall be provided with a supply of disposable single-use gloves if utilized.Pf

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