**Conference for Food Protection**

**2016 Issue Form**

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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:**

IFITC 3 - Reassign Charges to Program Standards Committee

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

That the Conference considers that new and updated foodborne disease outbreak training programs will continue to occur and that all target agencies could benefit from a process that updates the list of training programs and reviews the programs. The IFITC firmly believes that the better avenue to continue this work will be under the Programs Standards Committee, a standing committee of the Conference for Food Protection.

**Public Health Significance:**

Delays in reporting or investigating a possible foodborne disease outbreak can prolong an outbreak event, potentially resulting in further illness or economic disruption. Effective training of public health professionals, health agencies, universities and industry in outbreak response can mitigate the negative impact of any outbreak. However, these entities may not be aware of the foodborne disease outbreak trainings that are currently in existence.

The Interdisciplinary Foodborne Illness Training Committee believes that these opportunities provide the chance for the Conference for Food Protection to continue to influence the food and beverage community, health agencies, universities, in the minimum, to review their Foodborne Illness Training to determine if their program is complete as outlined in Standard 5.

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

dissolving the Interdisciplinary Foodborne Illness Training Committee.

The Conference further recommends assigning the Program Standards Committee with the following standing charges:

1. Identify available resources related to foodborne illness training.
2. Assess any newly developed foodborne illness training courses or programs.
3. Maintain the document titled Crosswalk - Requirements For Foodborne Illness Training Programs Based on Standard 5 as a resource and content baseline for foodborne illness training.
4. Report back any findings and recommendations to each biennial meeting of the Conference for Food Protection.

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