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Conference for Food Protection (CFP)
October 2022 Executive Board Meeting
U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Update
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CDC values the opportunity to update CFP on some of our recent activities that may be of interest to CFP constituents.

- **[Competencies for Environmental Health Practitioners That Investigate Foodborne Illness](#)**—The Integrated Food Safety Centers of Excellence developed a framework and training roadmap to connect environmental health professionals with trainings by competency. The framework and road map are publicly available and free. Each of the 16 competencies are reported for investigators at three levels – from entry level investigators to those in management roles.
- **[Foodborne Illness Outbreaks Reported to National Surveillance](#)**—This study examined characteristics of the state health departments and foodborne outbreaks reported during 2009-2018. Authors from the Integrated Food Safety Centers of Excellence, CDC, FDA, and the Food Safety and Inspection Service found significant variation between the highest and lowest reporting agencies, and per capita funding was strongly associated with increased reporting.
- **[Foodborne Outbreak Rates Associated with Restaurant Inspection Grading](#)**—A recent study conducted by the University of Minnesota and supported by CDC found an association with restaurant grading and reduced foodborne outbreak reports.
- **Staffing changes**—Dr. Don Sharp, longtime CDC adviser to Council III, will retire at the end of this year. We are diligently working on finding a suitable replacement.