

Information about the Food Safety Advisory Group

Purpose:

The NACCHO-CFP Retail Food Safety Collaborative Grant project focuses on the following two specific aims:

1. Increase retail food regulatory programs' application of risk-based inspections and implementation of effective intervention strategies.
2. Increase enrollment and active participation in and application of the Voluntary Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards by state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) retail food regulatory programs. The Food Safety Advisory Group (FSAG) will advise NACCHO and CFP on the two specific aims.

Expectations:

FSAG members will serve on the group for one two-year term with the potential for serving one additional two-year term. Members are expected to participate in five (5) virtual FSAG meetings a year (1-2 hours per meeting) and potentially one (1) in-person meeting a year (approximately 1-1.5 day per meeting and travel expenses of up to \$1,400 per member will be reimbursed).

Activities:

FSAG members will be asked to:

- Review and advise NACCHO and CFP on protocols and findings for an assessment of the application of risk-based inspection methods by SLTT retail food regulatory programs.
- Review and advise NACCHO and CFP on protocols and findings related to identifying, assessing, and promoting implementation of effective intervention strategies by retail food regulatory programs.
- Review and advise NACCHO and CFP on protocols and findings related to building upon the FDA's Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards (VNRFRPS) technical assistance strategy to provide a "multiplier effect" to promote participation and implementation of the VNRFRPS by SLTTs.
- Promote summary report and findings from the NACCHO-CFP grant activities as requested.
- Provide recommendations to NACCHO and CFP about effective methods and channels to communicate information regarding the project to various stakeholder groups involved in retail food safety.

Membership:

The FSAG will consist of 10-15 state, local, tribal, and territorial health department professionals, retail food industry professionals, and retail food association staff.