# 2020 Regional Meeting #2

Food Protection Team





### New Regional Staff

• Angie Pinyan – started May 18<sup>th</sup>

• Thomas Jumalon – started June 1st

• Currently, 1 vacancy in the West



# North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health Environmental Health Regional Specialists Food Protection Program July 1, 2020

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### FDA Retail Food Program Standards

#### FDA Funding

- National Association of County and City Health Officials Mentorship Program (NACCHO.org)
- Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO.org)

#### How to Enroll?

- Contact State Regional staff or FDA Retail Specialist
  - Donna. Wanucha@fda.hhs.gov
  - <u>Cameron.Wiggins@fda.hhs.gov</u> (far Western NC)



### Donna Wanucha FDA Retail Food Specialist

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### If you leave home, know your 3 Ws!



a cloth mask over your nose and mouth.



6 feet apart. Avoid close contact.



your hands or use hand sanitizer.

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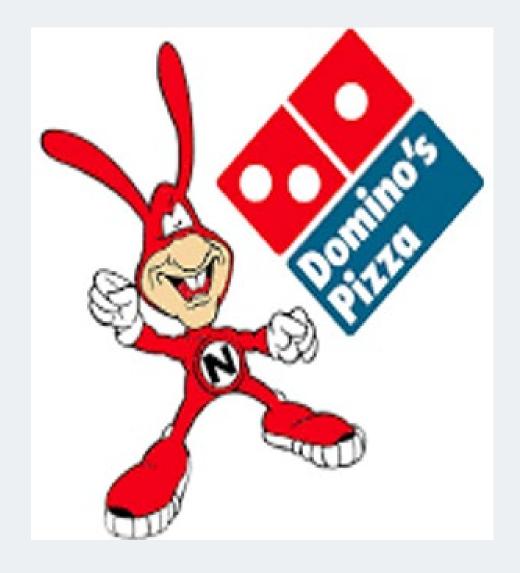
Citric acid-based sanitizer for ice cream machines, possibly other food contact surfaces is approved with testing method

pH of 2.5 to 3.0 if mixed appropriately; one minute contact time

No upper limit excess due to citric acid being GRAS







Domino's mushroom supplier, Country Fresh Mushrooms, attests that all mushrooms are provided as pre-washed.

Ask your regional if you would like copy of supplier letter.







### Misuse of Chemicals

Food establishments have been questioned about disinfectant use during coronavirus educational inservices and what chemical was used for the high touch areas of the facility.







### **Position Statement**

- Private Bar/Club
- January 10, 2020 replaces October 23, 2013 PS
- Brewery defined

• <a href="https://ehs.ncpublichealth.com/docs/position/MixedBeverageBreweryExemption-PS2020.pdf">https://ehs.ncpublichealth.com/docs/position/MixedBeverageBreweryExemption-PS2020.pdf</a>



- Current members:
  - Ben Chapman
  - Veronica Bryant
  - Ashley Blake
  - Felissa Vasquez
  - Anna Anderson
  - Sarah Makres
  - Jo Hill (Vice-chair)
  - Jennifer Moore (Chair)



Approval for all NC McDonald's stores.

• Shake and Sundae Dairy Mix is exempt from date-marking.

• Find the approval letter on our website:

https://ehs.ncpublichealth.com/faf/food/correspondence.htm



- Noodles & Co sent a hot water interruption letter for review.
- Committee agreed no variance was needed for proposed processes.
- Info in letter was in compliance with what would be allowed without a variance.
- Sent to counties with Noodles & Co stores.
- REHS and supervisors will make decisions based on the type of water interruption occurring.

- CostCo Pizza Sauce: Non-TCS
- Hungry Howie's Pizza Sauce: Non-TCS
- Papa John's Pizza Sauce: May be held at ambient temperatures up to 10 hours
- Marco's Pizza Sauce: May be held at ambient temperatures up to 24 hours
- Pizza Hut Sauce (pizza and breadstick): Non-TCS
- Domino's Pizza Sauce: May be held at ambient temperatures up to 8 hours
- Little Caesar's Pizza Sauce: May be held at ambient temperatures up to 12 hours
- <a href="https://ehs.ncpublichealth.com/faf/food/correspondence.htm">https://ehs.ncpublichealth.com/faf/food/correspondence.htm</a>



VC data collection and spreadsheet started by Jo Hill

• Process is ongoing

 Need to put on website with understanding that it is never finished



- Wegman's—Wake—ROP approval-raw meats up to 30 days under 2017 Food Code 12/26/19
- The Butcher's Market—Wake—ROP approval under 2017 Food Code 1/3/2020
- Uncle Julio's—Wake and Durham—salsa challenge study—need one correction. Requested 1/8/2020. When corrected, extended TPHC can be granted.
- Circle B BBQ—Rutherford—No floor drain required 1/21/2020
- Subway—Cabarrus—No hot H<sub>2</sub>0 at restroom handsinks 1/22/2020
- Cracker Barrel—NC—updated locations (Morganton and Kernersville) ROP for cook-chill 1/27/2020
- Bardo—Mecklenburg—undercooked scallops without parasite guarantee (2017 Food Code) approval 2/4/2020



- Lake Norman Butchery—Iredell—ROP approval-raw meats up to 30 days under 2017 Food Code 2/19/2020
- Wing & Fish—Brunswick—Equipment substitution request-not full VC, but Shane Smith, Branch Head, reviewed info along with Regional staff on VC. Determined no variance could be granted for this request. 2/26/2020
- Hungry Howie's pizza sauce—Mecklenburg—challenge study reviewed, and sauce declared non-TCS 3/20/2020
- Wicked Weed Funkatorium—Buncombe—ROP less than 48 hrs-2017 Food Code approval 4/3/2020
- Yard House—Wake—ROP for cook-chill under 2017 Food Code approval 6/10/2020



- Fine & Fettle—Mecklenburg—ROP 2017 Code—resubmitted for September meeting
- Curate—Buncombe—Meat Fermentation—waiting to hear back from Dr. Dana Hanson with NCSU Meats Lab
- Avenue M—Buncombe—ROP under 2017 Food Code—in communication with plan writer—NMI for September review
- Under the Oak—Johnston—ROP under 2017 Food Code—same as Avenue M
- Taco Bell—NC—Ranch sauces stored at ambient temp—data received 8-20-2020 and needs to be reviewed.
- AFC Sushi (Harris Teeter and Publix)—locations continually updated





### NCDA/DHHS Jurisdiction Update

- Working on updating the Jurisdiction Chart
- Definition of re-run
  - 02 NCAC 09K .0202 (j) "Rerun" means frozen dessert mix which has been drawn through a retail frozen dessert dispenser.
  - If mix leaves the reservoir through a tube or in a pump assembly to the dispenser, this mix would be in the process of being "drawn" and could not be used.
  - If the mix is in the reservoir tank and not fed through the machine, the mix would not be considered re-run.
- Working on revising MOA/Position Statement



### Legislative Update

- .2600 Rule re-write and 2017 Food Code adoption is moving forward
- .2600 draft has been submitted

- Fiscal note is being written
- November 4, 2020 rules will be presented to RRC
- Food Code Manual and Inspection Sheet Committees will begin work soon



#### ARTIFICIAL SWIMMING LAGOON UPDATE

Artificial Swimming Lagoons added to pool rules by Session Law 2019-88.

Temporary rules adopted 2019.

Permanent rules nearly through the adoption process and should be completed this year.

Swimming zones will be required to maintain water quality standards and safety standards equal to current public pools. Non-swimming zones will be treated like recreational waters.

Algorithms are used to predict chemical need and maintain water quality.



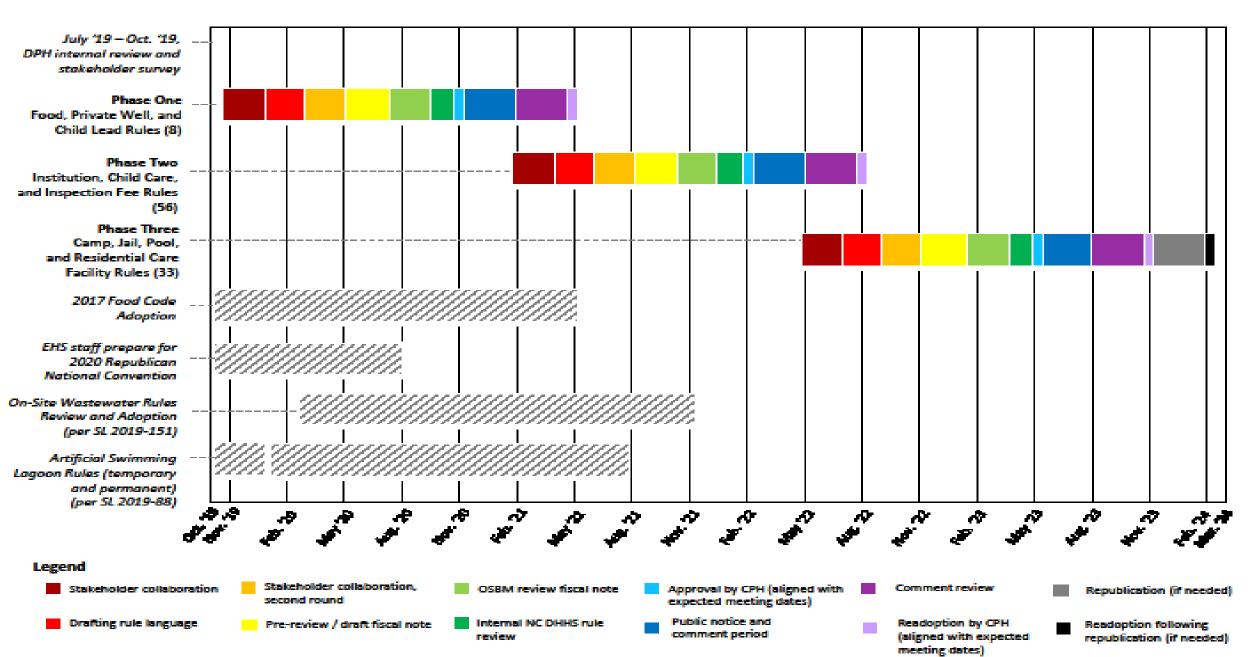


### Upcoming Rule Revisions

- Institutions
  - Thomas Jumalon
- Camps
  - Josh Jordan
- .2600 Rules not part of the 2017 FC adoption
  - Josh Jordan
- 10A NCAC 46 .0213 Administrative Code
  - HACCP Verification Visits
  - Plan Review Authorization



#### CPH Projected 15A NCAC 18A Readoption Timeline October 2019 – March 1, 2024



• Question: Can multiple types of camp permits be issued to one location during the same season (e.g. Resident camp and Summer camp permit issued for different groups of campers)?

#### • Answer:

- Ask questions of the operator to ensure that the appropriate type of camp permit is being issued.
- Resident Camp Rules (.3600) are more stringent than the Summer Camp Rules (.1000)
- A resident camp permit can cover other camping activities that may occur later in the season for a summer camp.
- However, a Summer Camp permit may not cover Resident Camp activities (issue new permit)



#### **Question:**

Do we have authority to inspect any establishments on Federal property? Are these establishments allowed to cater to public events?

#### **Answer:**

\*We do not have authority to inspect on Federally owned property unless invited by the Federal Government.

\*Type of establishment or manager of the establishment does not matter – what matters is who owns the land.

\*clear understanding is needed that LHD will no longer be in the facilities in a regulatory capacity





#### **Question:**

Due to precautions against COVID-19, is there an alternative option to a physical signature (pen/paper or electronic) from the PIC on an inspection report? Can the EHS enter an electronic signature or physically sign the inspection report on behalf of the PIC so that any contact with pen/paper or computers can be avoided?

#### **Answer:**

Law clearly recognizes and allows electronic signatures in addition to physical (pen/paper) signatures. The EHS is allowed to sign electronically or physically (pen/paper) on behalf of the PIC. If counties choose to direct the REHS to self-sign all forms, they may use one of the disclaimers sent in the weekly territory update 8/26/20.





#### **Question:**

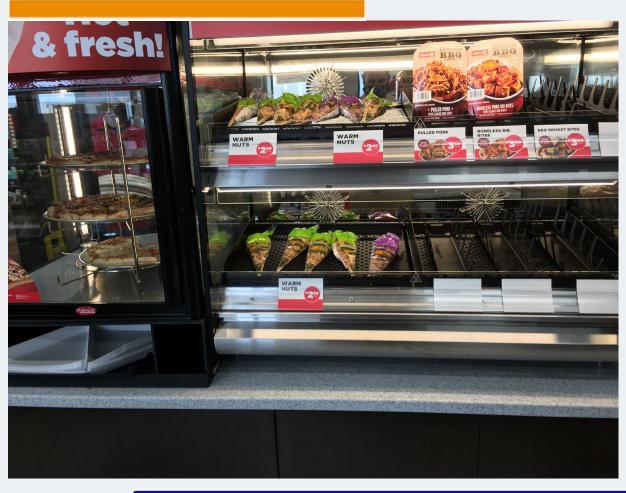
Can the REHS perform an inspection and leave the establishment to go to a safe location to prepare the report and grade card?

#### **Answer:**

Yes, as long as the REHS returns the same business day to review the report and post the grade card.



# CIRCLE (



Substantial menu additions

Phase 1: Bell Pepper/Onions in hot well as additional hot dog condiments. Both non-TCS

Phase 2: Equipment additions with hot holding pizzas, sandwiches, etc.

State Plan review is aware and in contact with their corporate

Jeff.jones@dhhs.nc.gov for questions





All Speedways have been acquired by 7 Eleven.

Look for ownership change to happen around early 2021

No action needed at this time







Concerns raised about washing doughnut speed racks in can wash area

According to corporate, speed racks are hosed down in area and stored in back of facility in anticipation of being picked up and replaced by another speed rack from commissary

Cleaning is a pest preventative process

No NC Food Code Violations

Several locations have two can washes where one is not used for solid waste receptacle cleaning



### Training 2020-2021

- NCDHHS Regional Staff to offer:
- Institutional Refresher Course Fall 2020 (virtual)

- Search for FDA ORAU or OTED courses! Many FDA courses will be offered virtually in the coming year!
- <a href="https://orauportal.fda.gov/stc/ORA/psciis.dll?linkid=733130&mainmenu=ORA&top\_frame=1">https://orauportal.fda.gov/stc/ORA/psciis.dll?linkid=733130&mainmenu=ORA&top\_frame=1</a>



### Stay tuned...

- Transitional Permitting Course
- Lodging refresher
- Potential tabletop exercises



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- Step 3: View Minimum System Requirements and test your equipment.

  You should test on the PC or Mac computer that you plan to take your exam on.
- Step 4: Schedule your Exam



### Remote Proctoring

- •If you pass: You will be able to print your official electronic ServSafe Food Protection Manager certificate immediately after you complete the exam. Simply log on to ServSafe.com, click on the Certificates tab, and can choose the "Download certificate" option to print the certificate.
- •If you fail: If you do not pass your exam, you may schedule another exam following our Retesting policy.
  - Our retesting policy states an examinee may take the exam the first two times within a 30-day period, if necessary. If three or more attempts are required, the examinee must wait at least 60 days from their last attempt. No more than four attempts are allowed in a 12-month period.



# CERTIFICATE OF ACCREDITATION PERSONNEL CERTIFICATION

The American National Standards Institute hereby affirms that

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#### **ACCREDITATION ID #1203**

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ANSI VICE PRESIDENT, ACCREDITATION SERVICES

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### Date marking

Both cottage cheese and cream cheese are defined as soft, uncured cheeses in 21 CFR 133.133 and 133.128 respectively. According to the Lm Risk Assessment Summary at

https://www.fda.gov/media/77947/download (page 17) soft cheeses are in the moderate risk category of supporting the growth of Lm. Items in this category are included in the date marking requirements of the 2017 FDA Food Code because of this increased risk.



### UHT Milk or UHT Almond Milk







- Whether the product is UHT milk or UHT almond milk, once opened the product is considered TCS and requires date marking.
- The unopened commercially packaged product has been ultra-high temperature processed to achieve a shelf stable sterile product.
- However, once opened, the product can support pathogenic microorganism growth.
- If the product is a non-UHT (e.g. pasteurized or UT pasteurized) almond milk, the product would require refrigeration both before and after opening.





### Puracycle Labels

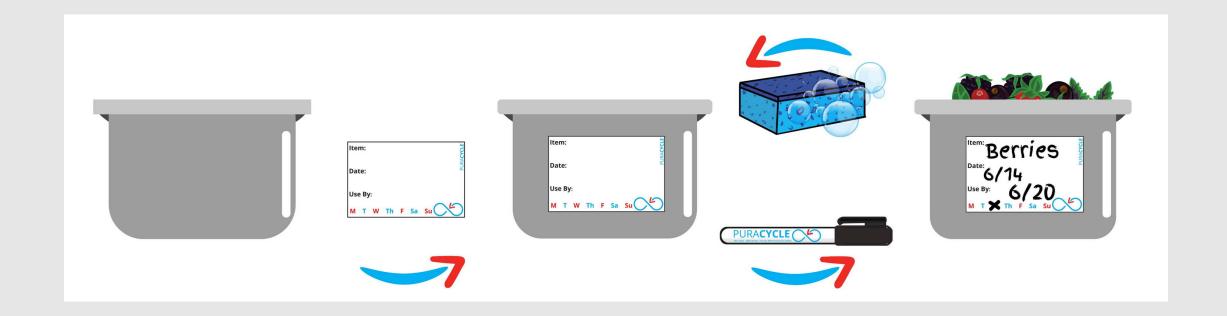








### Puracycle Label Procedure

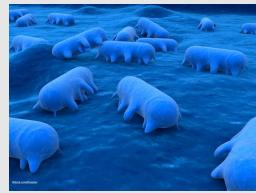






### Salmonella London Outbreak Nash County Restaurant

- May 6, Communicable Disease Nurse (Nash County) received a case for Salmonella London.
- From May to November 2019 a total of 14 cases of Salmonella London across 4 counties with Nash County having most of the cases
- 10 people named the restaurant as the source
- Department of Agriculture on November 12<sup>th</sup> took 75 swabs
- November 19<sup>th</sup>, 9 of the 75 showed growth
- Facility closed on November 22<sup>nd</sup>





## Food Code Q & A





### Food Code Q&A

Q: Where is the appropriate citation to mark an individual turning off the faucets of a handwashing sink with their hands after handwashing is complete?

A: The best citation to use is 2-301.14 (E) or (I) – When to Wash. Before citing this as a violation, the REHS should observe the food employee begin to engage with an activity that requires hands to be cleaned (i.e. donning single-use gloves to handle food, etc.).



### Additional Q & A

• Your turn to ask questions to Regional Staff

