

INTRODUCTION



SAFE FOOD CREW An In-House Food Employee Training and Public Recognition Program

Congratulations on your participation in the **SAFE FOOD CREW** program! With generous funding provided by the Food and Drug Administration and with outstanding participation from the Madison Safe Food Advisory Committee, Public Health – Madison and Dane County has developed this unique program to train food employees. We appreciate the opportunity to bring this exciting new program to you.

The Food Code requires the designated Person in Charge of all food establishments to ensure that employees handle food safely at all times. Unfortunately, many operators cannot afford to send employees to outside trainings, even if the trainings are cost-free. It is also difficult for them to train staff in-house because they do not have appropriate training materials and experience with training methods. The feedback we received from restaurant operators has provided the impetus for the **SAFE FOOD CREW** program.

Using the **SAFE FOOD CREW** program in your establishment will provide you with the following benefits:

- A training program intended for use in your establishment, by you
- An easy-to-use curriculum available online at www.safefoodcrew.org
- Fifteen modules focused on the most critical food safety areas
- Flexible - designed to be done in short sessions, one topic at a time
- Relevant training for new and experienced employees
- Updated when changes are made to the Food Code
- Available in English and Spanish
- Free train-the-trainer sessions to help you get started*
- A public recognition program for establishments that complete and maintain the training curriculum*
- Well-trained staff that is able to safely handle food

*Currently available only in Madison and Dane County, WI

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