



SAVE THE DATE!

CDPH Pre-Standardization Summer Conferences

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Food and Drug Branch (FDB) has a responsibility to ensure the uniform interpretation and application of the California Retail Food Code (CRFC) in regulatory retail food inspections among local health agencies. CDPH and local food safety programs have the common goal of foodborne illness prevention. To reach that goal, CDPH created the CDPH Standardization process for retail food inspection personnel, which aims to strengthen the food safety knowledge and skills of regulatory personnel related to the CRFC provisions. Through the CDPH Standardization process, participants will be able to recognize Foodborne Illness Risk Factors, CRFC Interventions, and Good Retail Practices (GRPs) to ensure that retail food items are safe, unadulterated, and honestly presented throughout the State of California.

The CDPH Standardization process consists of two parts, the in-person Pre-Standardization Conference and the field Initial Standardization. The Pre-Standardization Conference comes at no cost and is intended for State Standard Candidates and Registered Environmental Health Specialists (REHS) who are active retail food inspectors, working in local retail food protection programs. Priority registration will be given to State Standard Candidates. Each Conference is three days long and consists of interactive presentations and classroom activities, focusing on topics such as Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP), Foodborne Illness Risk Factors, Active Managerial Control, etc. More information regarding the field Initial Standardization will be provided during the conference.

Further information regarding pre-registration for the conferences will be provided in May 2024. A certificate of completion and REHS Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be provided to registered participants after successful completion of the conference.

For additional information, please contact FDBRetail@cdph.ca.gov.



CDPH Pre-Standardization Conference Summer Schedule

| Location | Date / Time |
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| Sacramento County Environmental Health American River Conference Room 11080 White Rock Rd., Suite 200 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 | 07/09/2024 – 07/11/2024 8:00am – 5:00pm |
| Monterey County Environmental Health 1270 Natividad Rd. Salinas, CA 93906 | 07/23/2024 – 07/25/2024 8:00am – 5:00pm |
| Los Angeles County Environmental Health Training Room 170 5050 Commerce Dr. Baldwin Park, CA 91706 | 07/30/2024 – 08/01/2024 8:00am – 5:00pm |
| Contra Costa County Environmental Health McMorrow Training Room 2120 Diamond Boulevard, Suite 100 Concord, CA 94520 | 08/06/2024 – 08/08/2024 8:00am – 5:00pm |
| San Luis Obispo County Environmental Health UC Cooperative Extension Auditorium 2156 Sierra Way San Luis Obispo, CA 93401 | 08/27/2024 – 08/29/2024 8:00am – 5:00pm |

Note: Prospective participants must complete the required pre-requisite (“pre”) curriculum courses listed in *Standard 2: Trained Regulatory Staff, Appendix B-1* of the [FDA Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards](#). The course certificates of completion must be submitted to FDBRetail@cdph.ca.gov. This requirement must be completed **two weeks prior** to attending your chosen Pre-Standardization Conference. Failure to do so may impact your registration.