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Criteria for the Certificate of Excellence Award for Foodservice Establishments

Definitions:

Evaluation means an inspection.

Critical Item means a provision of the FDA Food Code, that, if in noncompliance, is more likely than other violations to contribute to food contamination, illness, or environmental health hazard.

Priority and Priority Foundation Item means a provision of the FDA Food Code, that, if in noncompliance, is more likely than other violations to contribute to food contamination, illness, or environmental health hazard.

Criteria:

- The period of consideration for the award is a one year period from February 1st to January 31st each year. The facilities nominated for the award are recognized at the March Board of Health Meeting.
- For the 2-1-12 to 1-31-13 period only; the facility must have no critical items cited for the evaluation conducted (all types) and no Priority or Priority Foundation items cited for the evaluation conducted (all types). (*Terminology changed due to Food Law amendments effective 10-1-12.*)
- For the 2-1-12 to 1-31-13 period only; the facility must have no more than 3 noncritical items cited per evaluation and no more than 3 core items cited per evaluation. (*Terminology changed due to Food Law amendments effective 10-1-12.*)
- The facility must currently employ a certified food safety manager (required by law since June 30, 2009).
- The facility must have been in compliance with the smoke-free law (required by law since May 1, 2010).
- The facility must be at a fixed location, which operates a minimum of 12 days per month performing food preparation at the facility.
- The facility must not have been implicated in a foodborne illness outbreak.
- The facility must not have had any investigated complaints confirmed.
- The facility has had no enforcement action taken against them by the agency.