

## **FOOD DEFENSE 101**

### **Be a part of the Team to Protect our Nation's Food Supply**

The food industry plays an integral part in protecting the nation's food infrastructure. Food Defense 101 provides training in preparedness against an intentional attack to our food supply. The courses provide an understanding of and guidance for developing a Food Defense Plan(s) based on a common sense approach. Food Defense 101 is comprised of four courses:

- **Food Defense Awareness for the Food Professional;**
- **Food Defense Awareness for the Front-line Employee;**
- **Food Defense Regulations; and,**
- **ALERT, for owners and operators of food facilities.**

Each course is designed to stimulate discussion of food defense within the industry. Get started today and become a part of the team to protect our nation's food supply.

#### **Food Defense Awareness for Food Professionals**

This course provides an understanding of food defense and guidance for professionals in the food industry. The course modules progress through food defense planning including broad mitigation strategies, vulnerability assessments, focused mitigation strategies, and food defense plans.

#### **Food Defense Awareness for Front-line Employees**

This course provides guidance specific to front-line workers and simple procedures for these employees to follow in food defense. The FIRST initiative, which emphasizes that Employees are the FIRST Line of Food Defense, is provided in both English and Spanish.

#### **FDA Regulations**

This course presents the three FDA Regulations that have been developed to address the safety of our nation's food supply and their impact on the food industry:

- **Bioterrorism Act of 2002;**
- **Food Safety Modernization Act; and**
- **FDA's Reportable Food Registry.**

#### **ALERT**

This course was developed by the FDA to help stakeholders better understand food defense and how food defense applies to the food industry. ALERT has been updated to include FSMA guidance and provides specific examples on ways to protect a firm from the threat of intentional contamination.

#### **Navigation**

On the opening page, you can choose from a list of training courses. If you decide to leave a course at any time, you can go back and continue the course later. Within the courses, there are quizzes called Knowledge Checks, but note that any entries submitted are not retained. This

training does not evaluate your participation. For navigation purposes, use the Back and Next buttons at the top and bottom of each page to proceed sequentially from page to page. You can click the bottom menu bar at any time. Clicking on the breadcrumb navigation at the top of the screen will also return you to the previous sections. All external links within the training open a page at other web sites, but you will be able to navigate between the training and external pages easily.

## **FOOD DEFENSE 101**

Food Defense 101 is available on FDA's Food Defense webpage:

[www.FDA.gov/FoodDefense](http://www.FDA.gov/FoodDefense)

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### **System Requirements**

Food Defense 101 is hosted on FDA's website and is not a downloadable application. To use this training, you only need internet access. The recommended browsers are Microsoft Internet Explorer 8 or later versions, Firefox 4 or later versions, Google Chrome, and Safari. In addition, Adobe Flash is required to play audio and videos in the training. Please download the Adobe Flash plug-in at: <http://get.adobe.com/flashplayer>.