## IV - A. Institutional Food Service - Hospitals

## Introduction

In 2020, all hospital cafeterias were assessed for food safety risk factors. For the 46 possible individual data items on the survey instrument, 175 observations were made at seven hospital kitchens. See Appendix A for complete data related to hospitals.

Certified Food Protection Managers (CFPM) (100%): For this survey, a CFPM had to be present. A CFPM is defined as an employee who has supervisory responsibility and the authority to direct and control food preparation. The CFPM must have passed an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) accredited program and present a certificate during the assessment. A CFPM was present at all seven facilities (100% IN compliance).

Employee Health Policy (0%): There was 0% compliance with the most current employee health policy at the 7 surveyed hospitals. Staff should target education related to this important intervention.

## **Results and Discussion**

The following chart represents IN compliance risk factors by category as a percentage of total observations. It also shows other individual items and intervention compliance.

Foodborne Illness Risk Factor Risk Factor IN Compliance:	Hospital Cafeterias								
	2010			2015			2020		
	% IN	# IN observations	Total observations	% IN	# IN observations	Total observations	% IN	# IN observations	Total observations
Approved Source	100%	14	14	100%	12	12	100%	16	16
Inadequate Cooking	100%	10	10	75%	9	12	83%	5	6
Improper Holding	67%	31	46	84%	36	43	71%	24	34
Contamination	94%	33	35	83%	25	30	77%	27	35
Personal Hygiene	91%	31	34	90%	27	30	97%	33	34
Risk Factor Totals	86%	119	139	86%	109	127	84%	105	125
Other interventions	% IN	# IN observations	Total Observations	% IN	# IN observations	Total Observations	% IN	# IN observations	Total Observations
CFPM Present	71%	5	7	100%	6	6	100%	7	7
Employee Health Policy	43%	3	7	17%	1	6	0%	0	7
Highly Susceptible Populations	100%	21	21	100%	18	18	100%	21	21
Food Allergy Awareness (19a)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	43%	3	7

The overall compliance with CDC risk factors at hospital cafeterias has remained mostly unchanged over the ten-year period, showing reductions in compliance with holding and contamination. Personal hygiene risk factors are trending toward greater compliance. The small population and number of observations may inflate percentage changes, so be aware of the actual number of observations when interpreting the data. See Appendix A for detailed observation data.