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Re: Adoption of FDA Food Code - UPDATE

Dear Food Establishment Operator/Owner-

This is the *fourth* letter sent to you on the topic of the new **FDA Food Code.** Please recall from our first August 23, 2017 letter that Connecticut's food code will be undergoing a significant transformation. This new law will result in a variety of changes for the food establishments in CT and the local health departments that regulate them. This letter is being sent to notify you of an important change to the previously detailed timeline for compliance with the new code. Specifically, in December the state health department notified us that *adoption of the FDA Food will once again be delayed.*

How does this affect your food service operation? The simple answer is that the code changes that were scheduled to go into effect on January 1, 2019 are *delayed*.

A new date for the adoption of the FDA Food Code has not yet been set. As soon as we are notified of the specific date that these code changes go into effect, we will notify you immediately. In the meantime, we encourage you to review information currently available in preparation for this important transition. For more information go to: www.ehhd.org/fdacodes

Thank you in advance for your patience, understanding and cooperation!

Yours in Health,

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