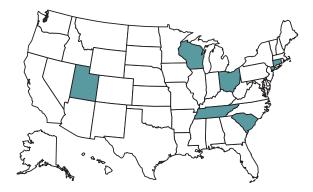
FoodCORE Highlights Spotlight on FoodCORE at the 2013 InFORM Meeting

FoodCORE: Foodborne Diseases Centers for Outbreak Response Enhancement



The Integrated Foodborne Outbreak Response and Management (InFORM) meeting is held for the purpose of bringing together laboratorians, epidemiologists and environmental health specialists involved with foodborne and enteric disease outbreak response. FoodCORE members were active participants at the InFORM Meeting in San Antonio on November 18–21, 2013.

Over 30 people attended a FoodCORE in-person meeting before the official start of the 2013 InFORM Meeting. There were engaging discussions about a variety of topics, and the FoodCORE centers were able to develop group consensus about ongoing and upcoming projects, including model practices and metrics.

Additionally, nearly 100 people participated in a FoodCORE Open Session. During the session, a <u>Program Overview video</u> was debuted to introduce attendees to FoodCORE. There was excellent discussion about the successes and lessons learned from the FoodCORE centers. Session participants included representatives from each of the FoodCORE centers, numerous state and local health departments, and state and federal regulatory partners.

During the InFORM meeting, staff from each of the FoodCORE centers presented their recent work during breakout and poster sessions.

Quyen Phan, an epidemiologist with the <u>Connecticut Department of Health</u> who works with FoodCORE, received the 2013 OutbreakNet Award for her many years of hard work and dedication to food safety.



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