# **Integrated Food Safety Centers of Excellence (CoEs)**

Supporting and enhancing enteric surveillance and outbreak investigation

## **Problem**



Every year roughly 1 in 6 Americans gets sick from foodborne diseases.



Many health departments lack necessary resources or expertise to respond to cases of foodborne illness.

### **Solution**

In 2011, the Food Safety Modernization Act set up CDC's Integrated Food Safety Centers of Excellence (CoEs) to serve as peer resources for other public health professionals that respond to foodborne illness outbreaks.



### Who are the CoEs?

The CoEs provide peer assistance and training to support state and local health departments to build their capacity to track and investigate enteric diseases. The CoEs are Colorado, Minnesota, New York, Tennessee, and Washington state health departments and their partner academic institutions. Each Center serves a region of the country to help guide jurisdictions to the resources that best meet their needs.

### **CoE Products and Services**

The Centers have developed a variety of tools and resources to help other state and local health departments. These products include training courses, guidance documents, and templates. Products from all the Centers are available at no charge at <a href="https://www.coefoodsafetytools.org/">www.coefoodsafetytools.org/</a>.

In addition to the numerous online products created by the Centers, the CoEs receive funding to assist state and local health departments on a one-on-one basis. Depending on your needs, one of the Centers may be able to visit you in-person or provide consultation remotely. Contact a Center to learn more about the services they offer.

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