



The National Center for Food Protection ("NCFP" or the "Center") is a global food protection resource development and collaboration network. The Center's mission is to facilitate the exchange of information, generation of new ideas, and acceleration of technologies that will enhance the safety of the global food supply. To achieve its mission, the Center has established the *International Food Protection Training Institute*, the *Emerging Technology Accelerator*, and the *Global Food Protection Symposia*.



The **International Food Protection Training Institute (IFPTI)** was established to deliver career-spanning, standards-based food protection training to state, local, tribal and territorial food protection professionals.

- 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.
- Working in partnership with the Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO), and in collaboration with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).
- Received the support of the FDA-sponsored Partnership for Food Protection: Federal, State and Local Collaboration, Training Working Group.
- Advisory Council includes federal government agencies, key state/local food protection associations, and select industry associations.
- Trained approximately 300 food protection professionals from 28 states since July 2009. Targeting to train 1,000 state and local food protection professionals in 2010.



- Receiving \$1 million appropriation in FY2010 Federal budget. An appropriation of \$8 million has been included in the President's FY2011 budget.



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Convene **Global Food Protection Symposia** to facilitate the exchange of information, generation of new ideas, and acceleration of applications and processes to influence the policies and practices within the food protection community.

Significance A safe food supply is an essential component in building a health environment for children, families, and communities wherein access to safe, healthy, and affordable food is assured. Yet, maintaining a safe and nutritious food supply has never been more difficult, or more complex. In fact, one has to look no further than recent recalls involving salmonella and melamine to grasp the significant potential health and economic impacts of a contaminated food supply. Moreover, the global interdependence of the food supply gives rise to unprecedented challenges for food protection professionals.

Investment The W.K. Kellogg Foundation has committed more than \$7 million in support of the start-up of the National Center for Food Protection and International Food Protection Training Institute.

Collaborators



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