



Gold Star Recognition Initiative

Division of Food Control
October 18, 2007



Two Phases

- ◆ Posting of inspection results
- ◆ Recognition of exemplary facilities



Inspection Posting

- ◆ Beginning November 1, 2007
- ◆ List of all food facilities inspected in previous month
- ◆ Critical violations noted
- ◆ Reinspection required

****Specific violations not to be listed****



Types of Inspections

- ◆ Routine/Required (COMAR 10.15.03)
 - ◆ Environmental
 - ◆ Monitoring
 - ◆ Hazard Analysis
- ◆ Non-routine
 - ◆ Re-inspections
 - ◆ Complaints



Critical Violations

- ◆ Items 1 -8 DHMH Form#205
- ◆ Require immediate correction
- ◆ HCHD Standard Operating Procedure Manual



Critical Violations

1. Approved food source
2. Food protection/cross contamination
3. Food worker – hand washing, illness
4. Proper cooling/adequate equipment



Critical Violations

5. Proper hot & cold temperatures/adequate equipment
6. Adequate cooking and reheating/adequate equipment
7. Potable hot and cold water
8. Sewage properly discharged



Area Postings

- ◆ Anne Arundel County Health Department
- ◆ Howard County Health Department
- ◆ Baltimore City Health Department
- ◆ Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture
- ◆ Virginia Department of Health
- ◆ Public Schools



Facility Recognition Program

- ◆ Based on one year period
- ◆ Set criteria/standards
 - ◆ Existing programs
 - ◆ HCHD Food Program
 - ◆ Local facility operators



Criteria

- ◆ No noted critical violations
- ◆ Facility cleanliness and maintenance
- ◆ Demonstrated knowledge of safe food handling procedures
- ◆ Training program for staff
- ◆ Other suggestions for consideration??



Criteria

- ◆ Final list to be distributed by December 31, 2007
 - ◆ Written comments accepted through November 15, 2007
- ◆ Posted on HD website



Facility Recognition Program

- ◆ Posted on Health Department Website
www.harfordcountymd.gov/Health
- ◆ Certificate issued??
- ◆ January 2009



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Updates

- ◆ Clean Indoor Air Act of 2007 effective February 1, 2008 – COMAR 10.19.04
- ◆ COMAR 10.15.03 – comments accepted through October 15, 2007; public hearing not scheduled

http://www.dsd.state.md.us/mdregister/3419/main_register.htm