**RESOURCE GUIDE**

**Exercise, Training and Funding Information**

This guide provides links to assist stakeholders with current and future food emergency response planning, education and training needs as well as for general awareness of food defense related efforts. Additional links are provided to assist jurisdictions in becoming aware of potential sources of Federal funding to assist in the coordination and provision of education and training opportunities, such as those contained within the FREE-B.

The following links are provided to assist with future planning, education and training needs:

**Council to Improve Foodborne Outbreak Response (CIFOR)**

* This workgroup was formed to improve foodborne outbreak detection and response. <http://www.cifor.us>

**Food and Agriculture Incident Annex**

* A list of roles and responsibilities applicable to food and agricultural related incidents requiring a Federal response

<http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nrf/nrf_FoodAgricultureIncidentAnnex.pdf>

**Food and Agriculture Sector, Sector Specific Plan**

* This document was developed (2010) to identify and describe the Food and Agriculture sector’s current all-hazards protective posture, numerous resiliency strategies, initiatives, resources, programs, and tools that can be used by sector partners to assist in the identification and implementation of risk mitigation activities; to aid in the reduction of the vulnerability of the food supply; to help deter threats to the sector; and to minimize the consequences from and aid in the development of resiliency strategies to assist the sector in recovering from large-scale incidents. ***Appendix 4*** of the SSP provides numerous ‘Sector Protective Programs, Resiliency Strategies and Tools’ for use by stakeholders.

<http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Food/FoodDefense/FoodDefensePrograms/UCM243043.pdf>

**Food Emergency Response Network (FERN)**

* + An integrated network of food testing labs <http://www.fernlab.org>

**FoodSHIELD**

* This tool was designed to assist governmental agencies in protecting the food supply through various web-based applications. <http://www.foodshield.org>

**Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP)**

* This program, designed by DHS, will cover exercise design, development, conduct, evaluation and improvement planning. <https://hseep.dhs.gov/pages/1001_HSEEP7.aspx>

**International Food Protection Training Institute (IFPTI)**

* The International Food Protection Training Institute offers training to improve the overall protection of the U.S. food supply. <http://www.ifpti.org>

**Lessons Learned Information Sharing (LLIS)**

* Restricted information about Lessons Learned and Best Practices for emergency response providers to help prevent and respond to terror incidents. <https://www.llis.dhs.gov/about.do>

**National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA)**

**Emergency Response Plan Food Emergency Template Version 1.0**

* This plan was designed to enhance food security and help protect the U.S. agricultural industry.

<http://www.nasda.org/cms/7196/7357/15782.aspx>

**National Center for Biomedical Research and Training (NCBRT)**

* NCBRT, through its Homeland Security National Training Cooperative Agreement, provides training to emergency responders throughout the United States and its territories. <http://www.ncbrt.lsu.edu/>

**National Center for Food Protection and Defense (NCFPD)**

* A research consortium that looks at our nation's food system with respect to the vulnerabilities of attack through intentional contamination with biological or chemical agents. <http://www.ncfpd.umn.edu/>

**National Center for Foreign Animal and Zoonotic Disease Defense (FAZD)**

* The Center develops products to defend the United States from zoonotic diseases that could have catastrophic effects on human and animal health and the U.S. agricultural economy. <http://fazd.tamu.edu>

**Target Capabilities List (TCL)**

* The TCL defines and provides the basis for assessing preparedness with regard to the four homeland security mission areas: Prevent, Protect, Respond, and Recover.

<http://www.fema.gov/pdf/government/training/tcl.pdf>

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