

# FoodWise



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## Industry Roundtable on April 17, 2013

The Division of Environmental Health Services invites San Bernardino County food facilities to participate in our ongoing series of Industry Roundtables. The next event will be held on Wednesday April 17, 2013 from 9:00 – 10:30 AM at the IRC Conference Center (1425 S. Waterman Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92408). For more details, please [click here](#) to view the invitation.

Food facility representatives interested in attending the Industry Roundtable can RSVP by [clicking here](#) or by calling 1-800-442-2283. Please note: you are still more than welcome to attend the Industry Roundtable if you do not RSVP. We are asking for RSVPs for planning purposes only.

The Industry Roundtable will be an opportunity for food facility representatives to learn more about inspection procedures and the focus on risk-based inspections. DEHS staff will discuss Division updates and will highlight resources available for food facilities. Attendees will also hear about the importance of having a Person-In-Charge at their facility. There will be a Q&A session with DEHS staff so you can get answers about program areas, inspection reports, and more.



## Website Updates

We continue to make improvements to [our website](#)! We recently launched a new page for [Wholesale Food Processors](#), and have added a page of [Wholesale Food Processors FAQs](#). We also have pages designated for [Cottage Food Operations](#) and [Cottage Food Operations FAQs](#). The latest version of [Cal Code – California Retail Food Code](#) is now available on our website.

## Giardia

Did you know that giardiasis is the most frequently diagnosed intestinal parasitic disease in the United States? Giardia can be found within every region of the U.S. and around the world. There are about 20,000 cases of giardiasis each year in the U.S. Although Giardia is known as a water-borne illness, you can also become sick with this disease by eating contaminated food, having contact with someone else who is ill with giardiasis, or touching surfaces (fomites) that are contaminated with Giardia. For more information about Giardia, [check out our fact sheet](#).



## Food Recalls

Food recalls that affect California (either state-specific recalls or nationwide recalls) are posted on the [DEHS Food Recalls page](#) Monday – Friday, excluding holidays. Food recalls are also posted on our social media sites ([Facebook in English](#), [Facebook en Español](#), [Twitter in English](#), and [Twitter en Español](#)).

You can sign up to receive emails about food recalls by going to [www.recalls.gov/food.html](http://www.recalls.gov/food.html) and clicking on

“Sign Up for Free Recall Updates by Email.” You will receive recall information from the FDA and USDA via these emails.

If you have a Smartphone, you can download the “Recalls.gov” app to view recalls on your phone. Additionally, you can type a product name into the app or use the app’s barcode scanner to see whether a product has been recalled.

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### **Stay Connected to DEHS with Social Media**

Follow our social media sites to get the latest news on mosquito and vector control, food safety and foodborne illness prevention, pool safety and drowning prevention, and more! We are now on [Facebook](#), [Pinterest](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#), [Facebook en Español](#), [Pinterest en Español](#), [Twitter en Español](#), and [YouTube en Español](#).

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***We appreciate the effort you make to  
protect the public’s health in our County.***