

## Paraphrased from the FDA Food Code for Health Practitioner's Reference

### From Subparagraph 2-201.11(A)(2)

#### Organisms of Concern:

Any foodborne pathogen, with special emphasis on these 56 organisms:

1. **Norovirus**
2. **S. Typhi**
3. **Shigella** spp.
4. **E. coli** O157:H7 (or other STEC)
5. **Hepatitis A** virus
6. Nontyphoidal *Salmonella*

### From Subparagraph 2-201.11(A)(1)

#### Symptoms:

Have any of the following symptoms:

**Diarrhea**

**Vomiting**

**Jaundice**

**Sore throat with fever**

### From Subparagraph 2-201.11(A)(4)-(5)

#### Conditions of Exposure of Concern:

- (1) Suspected of causing a foodborne outbreak or being exposed to an outbreak caused by Norovirus, S. Typhi, *Shigella* spp., E. coli o157:H7 (or other STEC), Hepatitis A virus, at an event such as a family meal, church supper, or festival because the person:  
Prepared or consumed an implicated food;  
or consumed food prepared by a person who is infected or ill with the organism that caused the outbreak or who is suspected of being a carrier;
- (2) Lives with, and has knowledge about, a person who is diagnosed with illness caused by Norovirus, S. Typhi, *Shigella* spp., E. coli o157:H7 (or other STEC), Hepatitis A virus; or
- (3) Lives with, and has knowledge about, a person who works where there is an outbreak caused by Norovirus, S. Typhi, *Shigella* spp., E. coli o157:H7 (or other STEC), Hepatitis A virus -

### From Subparagraph 2-201.12

#### Exclusion and Restriction:

Decisions to exclude or restrict a food employee are made considering the available evidence about the person's role in actual or potential foodborne illness transmission. Evidence includes:

**Symptoms**

**Diagnosis**

**Past illnesses**

**Stool/blood tests**

In facilities serving highly susceptible populations such as day care centers and health care facilities, a person for whom there is evidence of foodborne illness is almost always excluded from the food establishment.

In other establishments such as restaurants and retail food stores, that offer food to typically healthy consumers, a person might only be restricted from certain duties, based on the evidence of foodborne illness.

Exclusion from any food establishment is required when the person is:

- Exhibiting or reporting diarrhea or vomiting;
- Diagnosed with illness caused by S. Typhi; or
- Jaundiced within the last 7 days.

For *Shigella* spp. or *Escherichia coli* O157:H7 or other STEC infections, the person's stools must be negative for 2 consecutive cultures taken no earlier than 48 hours after antibiotics are discontinued, and at least 24 hours apart or the infected individual must have resolution of symptoms for more than 7 days or at least 7 days have passed since the employee was diagnosed.

**FORM  
1-A**

**Conditional Employee and Food Employee Interview**

Preventing Transmission of Diseases through Food by Infected Food Employees or Conditional Employees with Emphasis on Illness due to Norovirus, *Salmonella* Typhi (*S. Typhi*), *Shigella* spp., ShigaToxin-producing *Escherichia coli* (STEC), nontyphoidal *Salmonella* or Hepatitis A Virus

**The purpose of this interview is to inform conditional employees and food employees to advise the person in charge of past and current conditions described so that the person in charge can take appropriate steps to preclude the transmission of foodborne illness.**

Conditional Employee Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_  
Food Employee Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Daytime: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

Are you suffering from any of the following symptoms? (Circle one)

If YES, Date of Onset

Diarrhea?	YES / NO	_____
Vomiting?	YES / NO	_____
Jaundice?	YES / NO	_____
Sore throat with fever?	YES / NO	_____

Or

Infected cut or wound that is open and draining, or lesions containing pus on the hand, wrist, an exposed body part, or other body part and the cut, wound, or lesion not properly covered? YES / NO  
(Examples: boils and infected wounds, however small)

**In the Past:**

Have you ever been diagnosed as being ill with typhoid fever (*S. Typhi*) YES / NO  
If you have, what was the date of the diagnosis? \_\_\_\_\_  
If within the past 3 months, did you take antibiotics for *S. Typhi*? YES / NO  
If so, how many days did you take the antibiotics? \_\_\_\_\_  
If you took antibiotics, did you finish the prescription? YES / NO

**History of Exposure:**

1. Have you been suspected of causing, or have you been exposed to, a confirmed foodborne disease outbreak recently? YES / NO

If YES, date of outbreak: \_\_\_\_\_

a. If YES, what was the cause of the illness and did it meet the following criteria?

Cause: \_\_\_\_\_

i. Norovirus (last exposure within the past 48 hours)	Date of illness outbreak _____
ii. <i>E. coli</i> O157:H7 infection (last exposure within the past 3 days)	Date of illness outbreak _____
iii. Hepatitis A virus (last exposure within the past 30 days)	Date of illness outbreak _____
iv. Typhoid fever (last exposure within the past 14 days)	Date of illness outbreak _____
v. Shigellosis (last exposure within the past 3 days)	Date of illness outbreak _____

- b. If YES, did you:
- i. Consume food implicated in the outbreak? \_\_\_\_\_
  - ii. Work in a food establishment that was the source of the outbreak? \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii. Consume food at an event that was prepared by person who is ill? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Did you attend an event or work in a setting, recently where there was a confirmed disease outbreak? YES / NO

If so, what was the cause of the confirmed disease outbreak? \_\_\_\_\_

If the cause was one of the following five pathogens, did exposure to the pathogen meet the following criteria?

- a. Norovirus (last exposure within the past 48 hours) YES / NO
- b. *E. coli* O157:H7 (or other STEC (last exposure within the past 3 days) YES / NO
- c. *Shigella* spp. (last exposure within the past 3 days) YES / NO
- d. *S. Typhi* (last exposure within the past 14 days) YES / NO
- e. Hepatitis A virus (last exposure within the past 30 days) YES / NO

Do you live in the same household as a person diagnosed with Norovirus, shigellosis, typhoid fever, hepatitis A, or illness due to *E. coli* O157:H7 or other STEC? YES / NO Date of onset of illness \_\_\_\_\_

3. Do you have a household member attending or working in a setting where there is a confirmed disease outbreak of Norovirus, typhoid fever, shigellosis, STEC infection, or hepatitis A? YES / NO Date of onset of illness \_\_\_\_\_

Name, Address, and Telephone Number of your Health Practitioner or doctor:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone – Daytime: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Conditional Employee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Food Employee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Permit Holder or Representative \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FORM  
1-B**

**Conditional Employee or Food Employee Reporting Agreement**

Preventing Transmission of Diseases through Food by Infected Conditional Employees or Food Employees with Emphasis on Illness due to Norovirus, *Salmonella Typhi*, *Shigella* spp., or Shiga toxin-producing *Escherichia coli* (STEC), nontyphoidal *Salmonella* or Hepatitis A Virus

**The purpose of this agreement is to inform conditional employees or food employees of their responsibility to notify the person in charge when they experience any of the conditions listed so that the person in charge can take appropriate steps to preclude the transmission of foodborne illness.**

**I AGREE TO REPORT TO THE PERSON IN CHARGE:**

**Any Onset of the Following Symptoms, Either While at Work or Outside of Work, Including the Date of Onset:**

1. Diarrhea
2. Vomiting
3. Jaundice
4. Sore throat with fever
5. Infected cuts or wounds, or lesions containing pus on the hand, wrist, an exposed body part, or other body part and the cuts, wounds, or lesions are not properly covered (*such as boils and infected wounds, however small*)

**Future Medical Diagnosis:**

**Whenever diagnosed as being ill with Norovirus, typhoid fever (*Salmonella Typhi*), shigellosis (*Shigella* spp. infection), *Escherichia coli* O157:H7 or other STEC infection, nontyphoidal *Salmonella* or hepatitis A (hepatitis A virus infection)**

**Future Exposure to Foodborne Pathogens:**

1. Exposure to or suspicion of causing any confirmed disease outbreak of Norovirus, typhoid fever, shigellosis, *E. coli* O157:H7 or other STEC infection, or hepatitis A.
2. A household member diagnosed with Norovirus, typhoid fever, shigellosis, illness due to STEC, or hepatitis A.
3. A household member attending or working in a setting experiencing a confirmed disease outbreak of Norovirus, typhoid fever, shigellosis, *E. coli* O157:H7 or other STEC infection, or hepatitis A.

I have read (or had explained to me) and understand the requirements concerning my responsibilities under the Food Code and this agreement to comply with:

1. Reporting requirements specified above involving symptoms, diagnoses, and exposure specified;
2. Work restrictions or exclusions that are imposed upon me; and
3. Good hygienic practices.

I understand that failure to comply with the terms of this agreement could lead to action by the food establishment or the food regulatory authority that may jeopardize my employment and may involve legal action against me.

**Conditional Employee Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_**

**Signature of Conditional Employee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_**

**Food Employee Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_**

**Signature of Food Employee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_**

**Signature of Permit Holder or Representative \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_**

FORM

1-C

## Conditional Employee or Food Employee Medical Referral

Preventing Transmission of Diseases through Food by Infected Food Employees with Emphasis on Illness due to Norovirus, Typhoid fever (*Salmonella Typhi*), Shigellosis (*Shigella* spp.), *Escherichia coli* O157:H7 or other Shiga Toxin-producing *Escherichia coli* (STEC), nontyphoidal *Salmonella*, and Hepatitis A Virus

The Food Code specifies, under **Part 2-2 Employee Health Subpart 2-201 Disease or Medical Condition**, that Conditional Employees and Food Employees obtain medical clearance from a health practitioner licensed to practice medicine, unless the Food Employees have complied with the provisions specified as an alternative to providing medical documentation, whenever the individual:

1. Is chronically suffering from a symptom such as **diarrhea**; or
2. Has a **current illness** involving Norovirus, typhoid fever (***Salmonella Typhi***), shigellosis (***Shigella* spp.**) ***E. coli* O157:H7** infection (or other STEC), nontyphoidal *Salmonella* or hepatitis A virus (hepatitis A), or
3. Reports **past illness** involving typhoid fever (***S. Typhi***) within the past three months (while salmonellosis is fairly common in U.S., typhoid fever, caused by infection with ***S. Typhi***, is rare).

**Conditional Employee being referred:** (Name, please print) \_\_\_\_\_

**Food Employee being referred:** (Name, please print) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Is the employee assigned to a food establishment that serves a population that meets the Food Code definition of a **highly susceptible population** such as a day care center with preschool-age children, a hospital kitchen with immunocompromised persons, or an assisted living facility or nursing home with older adults?  
YES  NO

**Reason for Medical Referral:** The reason for this referral is checked below:

- Is chronically suffering from vomiting or diarrhea; or (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- Diagnosed or suspected Norovirus, typhoid fever, shigellosis, ***E. coli* O157:H7** (or other STEC) infection, nontyphoidal *Salmonella* or hepatitis A. (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- Reported past illness from typhoid fever within the past 3 months. (Date of illness) \_\_\_\_\_
- Other medical condition of concern per the following description: \_\_\_\_\_

**Health Practitioner's Conclusion:** (Circle the appropriate one; refer to reverse side of form)

- Food employee is free of **Norovirus** infection, typhoid fever (***S. Typhi*** infection), ***Shigella* spp.** infection, ***E. coli* O157:H7** (or other **STEC** infection), nontyphoidal *Salmonella* infection or **hepatitis A** virus infection, and may work as a food employee without restrictions.
- Food employee is an asymptomatic shedder of ***E. coli* O157:H7** (or other **STEC**), ***Shigella* spp.**, or Norovirus, and is restricted from working with exposed food; clean equipment, utensils, and linens; and unwrapped single-service and single-use articles in food establishments that do not serve highly susceptible populations.
- Food employee is not ill but continues as an asymptomatic shedder of ***E. coli* O157:H7** (or other **STEC**), ***Shigella* spp.** and should be excluded from food establishments that serve highly susceptible populations such as those who are preschool-age, immunocompromised, or older adults and in a facility that provides preschool custodial care, health care, or assisted living.
- Food employee is an asymptomatic shedder of **hepatitis A** virus and should be excluded from working in a food establishment until medically cleared.
- Food employee is an asymptomatic shedder of **Norovirus** and should be excluded from working in a food establishment until medically cleared, or for at least 24 hours from the date of the diagnosis.
- Food employee is suffering from Norovirus, typhoid fever, shigellosis, ***E. coli* O157:H7** (or other **STEC** infection), or **hepatitis A** and should be excluded from working in a food establishment.
- Food employee is diagnosed with an infection from nontyphoidal *Salmonella* and is asymptomatic and

should be restricted from working in food establishments serving a highly susceptible population and food establishments not serving a highly susceptible population.

**COMMENTS:** (In accordance with Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and to provide only the information necessary to assist the food establishment operator in preventing foodborne disease transmission, please confine comments to explaining your conclusion and estimating when the employee may be reinstated.)

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**Signature of Health Practitioner** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_