



State of Alaska Food Safety Excellence

**SAFE**

Dear Food Safety Partner,

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Environmental Health, Food Safety & Sanitation program is pleased to announce we are now accepting applications for the 2015 **State of Alaska Food Safety Excellence (SAFE)** food safety recognition program.

The SAFE program was designed to recognize food establishments that demonstrate a superior commitment to the practice and enforcement of high food safety standards. This is an opportunity to have that commitment and the results of your hard work appreciated by those you serve.

Are you a food establishment that:

- ✓ Demonstrates a strong understanding of the Alaska Food Code and food safety?
- ✓ Passes their facility inspections with few or no deficiencies each time?
- ✓ Excels in training others, taking the initiative to correct problems that arise?
- ✓ Has a Food Safety Management System in place that actively addresses food safety risk factors?

If so, we enthusiastically invite holders of valid Alaska Food Safety & Sanitation Food Permits to apply for SAFE and receive the special recognition the program will provide for your diligent efforts to protect public health.

In addition to public recognition through various media, members of the SAFE program will receive a specially designed permit to display and promotional materials to identify their SAFE status.

The SAFE program is an ongoing process for establishments that meet the Food Safety and Sanitation program requirements as outlined on the SAFE application and in AAC 18.30.295. Applications for the 2015 award year will be accepted until **October 1, 2015**.

For more information about the SAFE recognition award program, please call the Food Safety and Sanitation Retail Food Permitting Coordinator at (907) 269-6289 or visit our website here: <http://dec.alaska.gov/eh/fss/safe.htm>

Sincerely,

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