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Food Establishment Inspection Reports Now On-Line

Champaign-Urbana Public Health District Website Now Host of Champaign County Food Establishment Inspection Reports

Champaign, IL – September is National Food Safety Month and the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District (CUPHD) announced this week that the CUPHD website now has inspection reports available for every retail food establishment where food is directly sold or offered to a consumer within Champaign County, Illinois, (such as a restaurant, convenience store, grocery store, day care, school, hospital, nursing home or tavern), except for cottage food operations and the retail food establishments operated by the University of Illinois.

Inspections have been a part of the food safety regulatory program since the start of the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District in 1937 and the start of the Champaign County Public Health Department (CCPHD) in 1998. Inspections are used to determine compliance with the current food rules and regulations to help protect the public's health.

The website is unique because it includes summaries of violations and a line graph to illustrate compliance over time. Other features include being able to view inspection reports from 2008 to the present, and people can be notified by e-mail when their favorite establishment's most recent report is available. Information can also be searched by enforcement score or date range.

The website works in conjunction with the Inspection Notice placards that are required to be posted at each Champaign and Urbana food establishment and voluntarily at Champaign County food establishments. The placards give information from the last inspection but the QR code allows anyone with a smartphone to link to the full report on-line.

Jim Roberts, Director of Environmental Health, said, "An advantage of having the information on the website is that all reports are available, not just a media-chosen subset of failed inspections. Consumers now have the option to view the information on-line and use that information for their own personal choices."

For more information or to view inspection reports, visit <http://www.c-uphd.org/foodinspections.html>.

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