

TENNESSEE



Integrated Food Safety Center of Excellence

Outbreak Investigation Team Development



Outbreak Investigation Team Training Activities

The TN Center of Excellence has created a unique hybrid online/in-person outbreak investigation team training curriculum. The curriculum includes four **In-Person Activities** that may be completed by the investigation team at designated intervals as a complement to courses in the **Foodborne Illness Investigation Online Series**. The in-person activities build upon the online courses to guide team-based, jurisdiction-specific development of an outbreak response plan. Activities include:

- ♦ **Communication Procedures**
(complete after Course 2)
- ♦ **Interviewer Training**
(complete after Course 3)
- ♦ **Outbreak Case Study**
(complete after Course 6)
- ♦ **Response Plan Review**
(complete after Course 7)



Together the courses and activities offer a highly comprehensive overview of outbreak investigation procedures. Teams should expect completion of the hybrid curriculum to take 6-12 months. After team members complete all online courses independently and work through the complementary activities jointly, a local outbreak investigation team will have both a well-developed set of investigative skills and an outbreak investigation plan tailored to meet the unique needs of the jurisdiction.



Integrated Food Safety
Centers of Excellence
Tennessee

<http://foodsafety.utk.edu/>