



Helpful Resources and Tips

San Bernardino County Department of Public Health Environmental Health Services (EHS) inspects all organized camps to ensure food safety standards are met to protect public health. In spite of this efforts, foodborne illnesses continue to occur.

Foodborne illness is caused by consuming contaminated food or beverages. The top five CDC risk factors that lead to foodborne illness are:

1. Improper hot/cold holding temperatures
2. Improper cooking temperatures
3. Contaminated utensils and equipment
4. Poor employee health and hygiene
5. Food from approved sources

Avoiding an Outbreak

1. Campers/staff members displaying any symptoms of illness must be immediately isolated and put under the care of the appointed Health Supervisor or qualified staff.
2. The camp must contact EHS promptly to inform them of an illness outbreak and what steps have been taken to contain the outbreak.
3. Medical treatment must be recorded in the medical log by the Health Supervisor or qualified staff.
4. All pertinent documentation/records relating to the sick campers/staff must be maintained onsite and made available to EHS upon request. This includes copies of the medical log, contact information for the sick campers/staff and any other documentation to investigate the illness.
5. Meticulous cleaning and sanitizing procedures must commence in areas where illness symptoms occurred. Proper protection must be worn by staff performing these duties.
6. If necessary, the camp must voluntarily close to prevent further progression of the outbreak.

Report Illness Immediately!

Promptly notify EHS staff of any increase in symptoms that may be related to communicable diseases, infections and foodborne illnesses. This will allow staff to implement measures to help limit or decrease the spread of the outbreak. Immediate notification is required by the state law.

Contact EHS staff by phone or text at (800) 442-2283. Monday-Friday
8 a.m. – 5 p.m. After hours phone (800) 472-2376

Staff can also be reached by email at: sbcountyorganizedcamps@gmail.com

Quick Reference

Online submission option for your required camp documents!

bit.ly/orgcampdocs

Organized Camp Food Safety Training

bit.ly/orgcampfood

Organized Camp Code

bit.ly/organizedcamp

Recreational Pool Code

bit.ly/poolcode

Retail Food Code

bit.ly/foodcode

Learn about reducing food waste in your kitchen

bit.ly/kitchenfoodwaste

When campers are present, every camp shall have a Director at the camp in charge.

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