

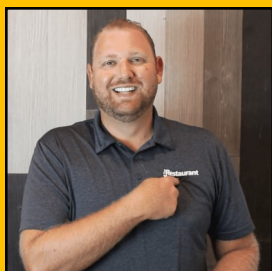


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***NEW!* NJAFP
 APRIL VIRTUAL
 SEMINAR***

**April 20, 2021
 11:00 AM —12:30 PM**



COVID and Changes in Restaurant Food Safety
Ryan Gromfin, Consultant
The Restaurant Boss

Register for this Zoom seminar at:
https://rutgers.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_J_vwflIcRFKRNy0Za6Cynw

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

**This seminar is the sixth in a series of virtual seminars that will be offered at no cost to NJEHA members and others who may wish to participate. Participants who successfully complete this educational program will be awarded 1.5 New Jersey Public Health Continuing Education Contact Hours (CEs). The New Jersey Association for Food Protection has been approved by the NJDOH as a provider of New Jersey Public Health Continuing Education Hours (CEs).*



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy (almost) Spring!!! With 2020 behind us, I couldn't be prouder to be part of an industry that continued to work together (6 feet apart) and succeeded in providing safe food. Members of our amazing association and the food industry got the job done!

The past year has been plagued with myths, such as becoming infected with COVID-19 by touching contaminated bags or Amazon packages, to the infamous toilet paper shortage. Only time will tell what our new 'normal' will look like! Despite historic challenges, our industry continues to keep our food supply safe and to promote healthy habits (like disinfecting often, washing hands frequently and thoroughly, and wearing masks) to help the world move forward. With vaccine distribution increasing, there is light at the end of the tunnel.

We are all familiar with the increase in certain foodborne illnesses during the warmer months. Food exposed to outdoor temperatures increases the potential risk. Family and friends should have a good quality thermometer on hand for their summer BBQs, while being mindful of potential cross-contamination. Hand sanitizers are helpful for sanitizing, but nothing beats proper handwashing.

No matter the season, food safety professionals are always prepared. The hard work and dedication of food workers (academia, food industry, regulators) does not go unnoticed. Also, thank you for continuing to attend our virtual webinars!

As a member, your voice matters. Your seminar survey responses help us improve and include speaker topics that matter to you. Don't forget to renew your annual NJAFP membership to continue accessing our newsletters and free webinars! We are continuing to plan for a wide host of speakers for our ongoing virtual seminar series.

April 20th - *COVID and Changes in Restaurant Food Safety*, Ryan Gromfin, The Restaurant Boss
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May 13th - *Mondelēz International Food Safety Programs*, Dr. Jennifer Todd-Searle, Mondelēz International
 Register in advance for this webinar:
https://rutgers.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_A1QbNK_wSi2yF_aRfA7-w

June 16th - *Food Fraud*, Dr. Rosalee Hellberg, Chapman University
 Register in advance for this webinar: https://rutgers.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_nuRL9dXXQyS0KqS0kK0NhQ

Thank you again for being a part of our amazing association and thank you to all of the NJAFP Board who continue to lend me their unconditional support and advice.

Robyn Miranda
 NJAFP President

Congratulations to Our NJAFP 2021 Sustaining Members

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READINGTON FARMS, INC. Patrick Boyle Whitehouse, NJ	THANK YOU!

We truly appreciate your support and dedication to NJAFP!



Need Money? Check Out NJAFP Scholarships for Student Members



NJAFP awards two \$1,000 scholarships to full or part-time graduate or undergraduate NJAFP members each year. Recipients must be enrolled in a college or university where he/she physically attends classes, and has declared a major in one of the following fields (other majors will also be considered):

Food Safety	Environmental Health	Nutritional Sciences
Public Health	Food Sciences	Agricultural Sciences
Environmental Sciences	Food Defense	Biology/Microbiology

To learn more about NJAFP scholarships and obtain a membership application, please visit the NJAFP website at www.njfoodprotection.org and click on the scholarship tab.

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WANTED!

If you are a local health department professional, employed at a food processor and are involved with QA or QC, or are involved with food safety academically...we want you to join our organization!

NJAFP is the foremost food safety organization in NJ. We are the NJ affiliate of the International Association for Food Protection (IAFP), the world's largest association of food safety professionals from industry, government, and academia.

If food safety is a critical component to the success of your company, then you need to be a part of NJAFP! We invite you to join us! It's inexpensive (\$25/year) and worth your time.

Please contact our NJAFP Board members for additional information.

The NJAFP Executive Board is also looking for a few new members. The Board meets or holds conference calls approximately six times per year. Members of the Executive Board are expected to attend all meetings and seminars. If interested, please contact us at info@njfoodprotection.org.

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