

Registration

Pre-registration is required for this workshop so that we can plan for training materials and lunch. The registration form below must be received by **one week prior to the workshop**. Confirmation with location details will be mailed or emailed to you upon receipt of your registration.

Fee:

This workshop is made available **at no charge** to participants and is provided through funds from USDA-National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) through the Southern Risk Management Education Center (SRMEC).

How to RSVP:

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Detach and return form:

- December 5 in Brandon, MS
- January 17 in Verona, MS
- January 29 in Hattiesburg, MS
- February 7 in Brookhaven, MS
- February 21 in Grenada, MS

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Food Defense, Biosecurity, and Traceability at the Farm Level as Essential Elements to Risk Management for Mississippi Producers and Processors

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Purpose

The purpose of this one-day workshop is to promote awareness of the principles of Food Defense, Biosecurity and Traceability at the farm level for all producers and processors in Mississippi as well as the other southeastern states.

The materials and training sessions will greatly assist the producing and processing industries in preparing for these requirements, as well as improving the safety of products, workers, and consumers. Furthermore, the plans can reduce the risks of intentional contamination of products, forced recalls, and negative publicity. The training workshop will facilitate management in identifying and correcting potential aspects of operations where the safety of food products and the facility could be jeopardized by intentional or unintentional activities. At the conclusion of the workshop, participants will have the knowledge base, tools and general model plan that can be used to complete a food defense plan for their operation.

Target Audience

Individuals involved with the food industries from farm to fork – farm managers/owners, feed suppliers, processing plant managers, ingredient suppliers, and other farming, production and processing support industries.

Those who attend can then return to their respective facilities to further train employees on specific areas that need to be strengthened. Employee awareness is the first line of defense.

Program Agenda

- 9:00 am** Registration
- 9:15 am** Food Defense
Disaster Preparedness
- 12:00 pm** Lunch Provided
- 1:00 pm** Intentional Contamination
Traceability & Recall
- 3:00 pm** Food Dense Plan
Development
- 4:15 pm** Q & A/Wrap Up

****Special Needs:** If you have any special needs or dietary restrictions, please call Anna at 662-325-8056.

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Dates

The same workshop information will be presented at five locations:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5

Rankin County Extension Office
Brandon, MS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17

North MS R&E Center
Verona, MS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

Forrest County Extension Office
Hattiesburg, MS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Lincoln Civic Center
Brookhaven, MS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Grenada County Extension Office
Grenada, MS

Cancellation Policy

Unforeseen circumstances may require the university to cancel a program. In the event of a program cancellation, participants will be given the opportunity to select another location to attend.

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