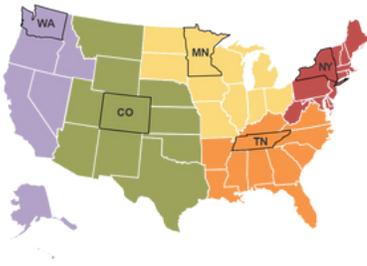
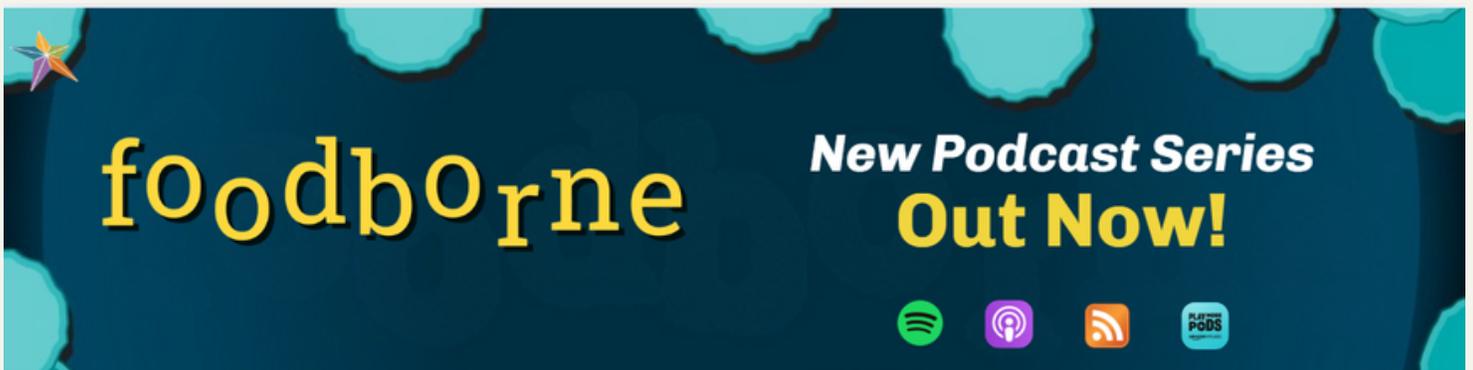


## INTEGRATED FOOD SAFETY CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE



The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has designated five Integrated Food Safety Centers of Excellence (Food Safety CoEs) that are each comprised of a state health department and an affiliated university partner. The Centers work together to identify model practices in foodborne disease surveillance and outbreak response and to serve as resources to assist other state and local public health professionals in implementing these practices.

## Foodborne Podcast



[All Episodes Out Now!](#)

Produced by the University of Washington and Washington State Department of Health, the Foodborne podcast shares real stories from foodborne illness outbreaks across the U.S. Through expert interviews and case-based storytelling, it highlights how public health teams detect, investigate, and respond to outbreaks—from tracing sources to improving prevention strategies.

If you have already listened to all the episodes, tell us how we did! Complete the survey [HERE](#) and be entered in the chance to win a gift card.

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## [Access Toolkit](#)



The Vibriosis Outbreak Management Toolkit features ready-to-use checklists, interview forms, factsheets, and environmental health guidance to support efficient, consistent investigations—especially those linked to shellfish consumption and handling.

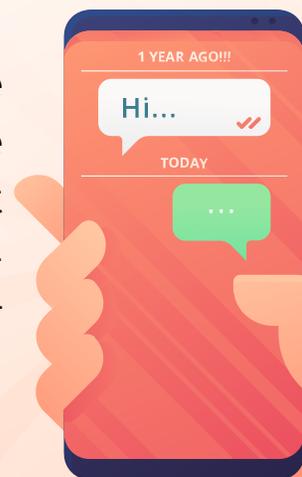
The toolkit helps streamline case tracking, identify exposure sources, and guide appropriate public health response. As Vibriosis cases spike this summer, check out this resource!

## MMWR Highlights CO Innovations in Routine Investigations and Surveillance (IRIS) Program

### [Learn More Here](#)

A Colorado Food Safety CoE project was recently published in CDC’s MMWR on using text messages and online surveys for Giardiasis case investigations. From September 2023 to May 2024, 305 Giardia patients were contacted via text; 43% opted in, and 31% completed the survey—most within a day. The method saved staff about 25 minutes per case and enabled quicker, resource-efficient outreach. This approach may be a feasible tool for rapid data collection across public health.

This project is part of Colorado’s Innovations in Routine Investigations and Surveillance (IRIS) program.



# de Beaumont

[Access de Beaumont Resources Here](#)

The de Beaumont Foundation supports public health professionals with practical tools, data, and training that strengthen outbreak response and disease prevention. Through resources like PH WINS, the largest national survey of the public health workforce, and the Public Health Communications Collaborative, de Beaumont helps teams identify challenges and improve how they communicate during crises, including foodborne disease outbreaks.

Their work focuses on building the capacity of health departments by promoting data-driven solutions, workforce development, and cross-sector partnerships. From guiding effective policy to offering real-time insights into workforce needs, their resources help investigators respond more quickly and effectively to outbreaks.

For professionals on the front lines of foodborne disease investigations, de Beaumont's impact lies in turning big ideas into usable, scalable solutions that improve daily operations and long-term preparedness. Whether you're looking to strengthen internal capacity, engage communities more effectively, or advocate for supportive policy, de Beaumont offers the tools to help public health work better.

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