

**Board of Health for Madison and Dane County**

*Resolution #2017 - 03*

**Resolution to Accept Funding From Voluntary National Retail Food Standard Regulatory Program Standards (Retail Standards) Grant Program – Training and CEU Maintenance**

In 1996, the FDA established the Voluntary National Retail Food Standards Regulatory Program. These Standards define what constitutes a highly effective and responsive program for the regulation of foodservice and retail food establishments. They provide a framework that incorporates traditional and emerging approaches to food safety, promoting good operating procedures in licensed establishments while focusing on risk factors for foodborne illness.

In 2015, Public Health Madison—Dane County reviewed the Retail Standards and determined that it would be of benefit to our licensed establishment program to pursue the FDA Retail Food Program Standards to achieve food inspection uniformity and reduce foodborne illness risk factors in restaurants and food stores. This has been incorporated into the 2015-2020 Strategic Plan.

In order to support adoption and implementation of the Retail Standards, the FDA and the Association of Food and Drug Officials are awarding grant funds for the completion of projects and training to enhance conformance with the Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Standards (Retail Program Standards). PHMDC applied for and received a grant in the amount of \$3000 to fund training and continuing education in support of meeting FDA Retail Food Standards. This grant ends on September 21<sup>st</sup>. 2017.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Health for Madison and Dane County, on behalf of Public Health—Madison and Dane County, is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Food and Drug Association and the Association of Food and Drug Officials accepting \$3000 to fund training and continuing education that promote compliance with the FDA Retail Food Standards, and the director is authorized to sign the agreement.

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