

FOOD WORKER ILLNESS FLOWCHART



Use this diagram to help you determine whether a food worker should be restricted or excluded from food handling at your facility.

Has the food worker been diagnosed with a specific pathogen infection?

YES

NO

Was the food worker diagnosed with an infection from Norovirus, Shigella, E. coli, or nontyphoidal Salmonella?

Was the food worker diagnosed with an infection from Hepatitis A or Salmonella Typhi?

YES

NO

NO

YES

Report the illness to the regulatory authority. Does the food worker have symptoms of vomiting or diarrhea?

Report the illness to the regulatory authority and exclude the worker from the facility.

Does the food worker have symptoms of vomiting or diarrhea?

Does the food worker have a sore throat with a fever?

Does the food worker have an infected wound or boil that is open or draining?

Does the food worker have jaundice?

YES

NO

YES

NO

NO

YES

NO

YES

Exclude the worker from the facility.

Restrict the worker from food preparation and working with food-contact surfaces.

Bandage and cover the wound appropriately.

Allow regular work.