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## Hamilton County Public Health Announces First Quarter 2015 Clean Kitchen Award Winning Facilities

**Hamilton County, OH**..... According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one in six Americans (48 million people) become ill each year by consuming contaminated food and beverages, 128,000 are hospitalized and 3,000 die of foodborne diseases.

"Food service facilities have huge responsibilities when it comes to protecting public health," according to Greg Kesterman Assistant Hamilton County Health Commissioner. "Most of the foodborne illness we see is preventable. That's why we put so much effort into our education and inspection program with the food service facilities we serve," he adds.

"The Hamilton County Public Health *Clean Kitchen Award* recognizes the best-of-thebest in maintaining safe food service operations," Kesterman adds. "The award is not easy to receive. When you see one on display, it points to an operator that takes the responsibility very seriously.

The requirements for receiving a Clean Kitchen Award are stringent. To be considered, facilities must:

- Have fewer than three violations in the previous two years prior to applying;
- Have no "critical" or repeat violations in the previous two years;
- Maintain at least two staff members with Level I Food Handler certification or at least one staff member with a current ServSafe certificate;
- Submit applications along with corresponding documentation;





• Have a minimum of two years of inspection data on file with Hamilton County Public Health.

Inspection data for all food service facilities and listings for all Clean Kitchen Award winners are available on the Hamilton County Public Health website at <u>www.HCPH.org</u>. The Clean Kitchen Award reflects inspection data from the previous two years and is not necessarily indicative of current conditions.

Following is the list of winning operators for the first quarter of 2015:

Facility	Address	Area of Town
Arden Courts of Anderson *	6870 Clough Pike	Anderson Twp.
The Veg Head *	920 B Loveland Madeira Rd	Loveland
Target Store T-2557	9099 Plainfield Road	Blue Ash
Skyline Chili of Fairfax *	5816 Wooster Pike	Fairfax
Mt. Washington Care Center *	6900 Beechmont Ave.	Anderson Twp.
Diane's Restaurant *	1951 Anderson Ferry Road	Delhi Twp.
Miami Township Senior Center *	8 N. Miami Ave.	Miami Twp.
Home at Hearthstone *	8029 Hamilton Ave.	Mt. Healthy
Kroger #421 *	7385 Wooster Pike	Anderson Twp.
New England Club	8135 Beechmont Ave.	Anderson Twp.
Taco Bell *	8157 Beechmont Ave.	Anderson Twp.
Tri Health Early Learning Center	10580 Montgomery Road	Montgomery
Wyoming Elm Elementary*	134 Elm Street	Wyoming
Meadows Health Care Center *	11760 Pellston Ct.	Forest Park
Sherwood Elementary School *	7080 Grantham Way	Anderson Twp.
Turpin High School *	2650 Bartels Road	Anderson Twp.
Mercer Elementary School *	2600 Bartels Road	Anderson Twp.
Summit Elementary School *	8400 Northport Road	Anderson Twp.
Anderson High School *	7560 Forest Road	Anderson Twp.
Nagel Middle School *	1500 Nagel Road	Anderson Twp.
Ayer Elementary School *	8471 Forest Road	Anderson Twp.
Wilson Elementary School *	2465 Little Dry Run Road	Anderson Twp.
Maddux Elementary School *	943 Rosetree Lane	Anderson Twp.
The Jewish Hospital Mercy Health *	4777 E. Galbraith Road	Sycamore Twp.
Harrison Senoir High School *	9860 West Road	Harrison



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Crosby Elementary *	8382 New Haven Road	Crosby Twp
ABC Early Childhood Learning		
Center *	3998 Dry Ridge Road	Colerain Twp.
St Ignatious School Cafeteria *	5222 N. Bend Road	Green Twp.
Clovernook Health Care *	7025 Clovernook Ave.	North College Hill
Subway Sandwiches *	5061 Delhi Ave.	Delhi Twp.
Pizza Hut #031355 *	4971 Vine St	St Bernard
Auntie Annes	9713 Colerain Ave	Colerain Twp.
Blue Ash Educational Building*	10149 Kenwood Rd	Blue Ash
Colerain Elementary *	4850 Poole Road	Colerain Twp.
Tokyo Foods Inc *	10738 Reading Road	Evendale

#### \* Repeat Winners

Hamilton County Public Health works to assure the 480,000 citizens living outside the cities of Cincinnati, Norwood and Springdale are safe from disease, injury and contamination.

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