



## Food Safety Assessment, Audit and Inspection PDG

Since its inception in 2017, the Food Safety Assessment, Audit, and Inspection Professional Development Group (PDG) has been at the forefront of shaping food safety standards across industries. Our mission is simple yet impactful: to create a global platform where professionals can freely exchange ideas, share best practices, and tackle the scientific and technical challenges of food safety audits, assessments, and inspections.

Today, we are 399 members strong, representing expertise from food manufacturing, academia, regulatory authorities, retail, and beyond. Our members are driven by a passion for advancing food safety, equipped with the knowledge and enthusiasm to navigate the complexities of modern compliance programs. Whether you are leading audits, conducting inspections, or researching the next big breakthrough in food safety, this PDG is the perfect place for you.

Our PDG is not just about dialogue; it's about action. At IAFP 2024, we proudly sponsored three key sessions, sparking conversations that inspired real change. In the past, we've led impactful events like the symposium on food safety culture auditing, which was met with tremendous success. And we're not stopping there!

Looking ahead to 2025, we're preparing webinars and roundtables that tackle crucial topics such as **maximizing audit data, the future of remote inspections, and combating food fraud with innovative assessments**. We'll also dive into **emerging trends like AI in audits**, exploring the **differences between AI learning and machine learning**, and discussing **what a competent internal audit/auditor looks like in a tech-driven world**. These topics promise to push the boundaries of what's possible in food safety compliance.

Joining this PDG offers more than just membership—it's an opportunity to connect with a vibrant, global network of thought leaders, stay ahead of industry trends, and contribute to shaping the future of food safety. Ready to be part of something bigger? Come be a part of our journey and help us make a difference, one audit, one inspection, and one assessment at a time.