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Magic Valley Food Safety Consortium Coming to CSI Campus This October

SOUTH CENTRAL IDAHO – South Central Public Health District (SCPHD) and CSI Workforce are proud to announce the second annual Magic Valley Food Safety Consortium, a free community event designed to foster a collaborative food safety culture in the region. The event will take place on Wednesday, October 7, 2026, from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM at the Health Science Human Services (HSHS) building on the College of Southern Idaho (CSI) campus.

The consortium brings together a wide range of experts to address the critical need for food safety awareness, offering insights for everyone from food service professionals and aspiring entrepreneurs to home cooks. A primary focus of the event is fostering community networking, encouraging open dialogue, and connecting attendees with valuable local resources. This year's agenda will feature dual educational tracks (English and Spanish) alongside interactive panel discussions and an informative resource expo.

“We designed this year's consortium to recognize the diverse roles people play in food safety,” said Brian Shiroma, SCPHD Environmental Health Specialist. “The content from the English and Spanish tracks offer practical education for everyone from frontline food service staff to managers and aspiring food entrepreneurs, while the event also provides an opportunity to connect with local experts and resources.”

The consortium will host several keynote information sessions from public health and food safety experts. Sessions will focus on common risk factors in Idaho food establishments, why key practices like proper cooling are vital, and why strong management prevents outbreaks before they start.

Admission to the consortium is free, but space is limited and registration is required. For more information on the educational tracks and keynote sessions, or to register, please visit:

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