Food Safety, It's In Your Hands



Food Contamination

Physical Chemical Biological



Keeping Food Safe



http://courses.washington.edu/z490/gmo/gmo.jpg

- Consider FAT TOM to control food born illness
 - F. Food
 - -A. Acidity
 - T. Temperature
 - T. Time
 - -O. Oxygen
 - -M. Moisture





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Proper handling of food



- 1. Clean Wash hands and surfaces often
- 2. Separate Don't cross contaminate
- 3. *Cook* Cook to proper temperatures
- 4. *Chill* Refrigerate promptly

1. Wash hands & surfaces

- Wash hands, put bandages, wear gloves
- Hot running water, soap, scrub 20 sec (ABC's) to clean under nails
- Clean work surfaces, dishes, and equipments



2. Don't cross contaminate

- Dirty cloth, unclean surfaces, contaminated cutting boards, dirty hands, poor storage
- Store ready-to-eat food above raw ingredients



Picture taken from: http://foodsci.k-state.edu/whatsnew/cutting.jpg

3. Cook to proper temperature



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- Improve sensory and kill pathogens
- "Color" is not a good indicator for meat

 Trust your thermometer? CALIBRATE

4. Refrigerate promptly



- Danger zone: 40 140° F
- "Keep hot food hot and cold food cold"
- Preparation + service + cooling < 4 hours
- Refrigerator: at or below 38°F
- Rapid cooling:
 - Cut or separate into smaller portion
 - Use shallow container, less than 2 inches deep
 - Put in refrigerator promptly





Remember, keep your food safe: Protect your guests.



Food Preservation

- Prevent or delay microbial decomposition
 - Keeping microorganisms out (asepsis)
 - Hinder growth & activity by manipulation of pH, T, A_w, anaerobic, chemicals
 - Kill the microorganisms
- Prevent or delay self-decomposition
 - Destroy or inactivate enzyme by manipulation of pH, T, Aw
 - Prevent or delay chemical reaction by antioxidant, edible coating, packaging

Methods of Preservation



- Temperature control

 High temperature: destroy microbes & enzymes
 Low temperature: control growth of microbes
- Moisture control
 Druing freezing cugari
 - Drying, freezing, sugaring, salting
- Preservative
 - Acid, antioxidants, propionates, etc
- Ionizing radiation

