

Appendix A. FoodCORE Initial Interviews: Major Categories and Elements

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| Demographics | Race | Ethnicity | Gender | Refugee/Immigrant |
| | Other elements to consider including: E-mail address or other contact information; language preference | | | |
| Clinical History | Symptoms | Onset Date | Duration of Illness | Ongoing illness |
| | Hospitalization: before ill and specifically for illness | | Medical care and/or treatments | Diagnoses (HUS, TTP) |
| | Immunocompromised or other conditions (e.g., pregnancy, etc) | | | |
| Travel | In-state | Out-of-state | International | Non-local visitors |
| | Other elements to consider including: Brought food into home from destination | | | |
| Risks to others | Occupation | Ill contacts | Diapered people | Daycare center |
| | Other elements to consider including: Specifically listing high-risk occupations (daycare/nursery, food handler, healthcare); volunteer activities | | | |
| Local Clusters or Events/Finding Additional Cases | Restaurants | Special Events | | Large gatherings |
| | Other elements to consider including: Other shared location of exposures (e.g., nosocomial exposures) | | | |
| Food Sources/ Diet Information | Special diets/ Preferred diets | | Sources of food at home | Sources of food away from home |
| | A food exposure history as resources allow (other initiatives including the <i>Listeria</i> Initiative, the STEC Standard Form, and the SNHGQ, have suggested food categories and elements to ascertain in a food history) | | | |
| Other Exposures | Animal and pet contact: Petting zoos, farm animals, events with animals, pets at home or other location | | | |
| | Water: Source at home, recreational water, natural water | | | Outdoor, other environmental |