

John J. Guzewich Environmental Public Health Award Open for Nominations October 6, 2023 – December 1, 2023

The John J. Guzewich Environmental Public Health Award is presented for meritorious achievement in the field of environmental public health, recognizing individuals and state, local, tribal, and territorial environmental public health agencies for notable contributions to the National Food Safety System through the development, application, and evaluation of innovative programs and best practices of response and management for foodborne illness outbreaks.

This award is presented at the biennial Integrated Foodborne Outbreak Response and Management (InFORM) Conference. InFORM emphasizes the integration and critical roles of laboratorians, epidemiologists, and environmental health professionals to collaboratively focus on foodborne illness prevention, surveillance, and outbreak response. The upcoming InFORM Conference will be held on January 22-24, 2024, in Washington D.C.

[Award Nomination Submission Form](#)

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Honoring John J. Guzewich

The award is named for John J. Guzewich (Jack) who retired from the FDA Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN) in 2011. Jack worked on a number of special projects, including enhancing relations with federal, state and local government partners, CFSAN's produce safety initiative, the Council to Improve Foodborne Outbreak Response (CIFOR) and implementation of environmental assessments (i.e., root cause analysis) during foodborne outbreak investigations at FDA. Jack previously worked for the New York State Department of Health where he was the lead for foodborne disease outbreak surveillance, food service establishment regulation, and training officer for environmental health staff. He was president of the International Association for Food Protection and a member of the National Environmental Health Association. Jack currently is a volunteer with the American Red Cross in Disaster Relief, as well as a liaison to government partners and an advanced disaster relief instructor.

