Frequent and timely state adoption of the Food and Drug Administration Food Code signals a commitment to the use of contemporary science-based interventions for the control of foodborne illness risk factors in retail food establishments. This month's cover article, "A Matter of Time: Exploring Variation in Food and Drug Administration Food Code Adoption Among State Retail Food Regulatory Agencies," examined the relationship between mode and frequency of adopting the most current edition of the Food Code over time among 64 state retail food regulatory agencies. By understanding the variables that affect Food Code adoption, more targeted efforts and resources can be leveraged to assist jurisdictions with maintaining up-to-date food safety controls within their retail food regulations.

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