# Eat Local. Eat Often:

## In-House Dining Items to Consider

With cities and states at various phases of re-opening restaurants and dining establishments, the following actions and considerations can be implemented to help ensure a positive, safe and healthy experience for both customers and operators.

### What Customers Can Do

#### SUPPORT SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Avoid gathering in large groups (refer to your local ordinances and regulations)
- Make reservations and be prompt
- Follow guidance provided by the restaurant

#### **CONTINUE TO SUPPORT SAFELY**

- Takeout or pick up curbside
- Utilize delivery services
- Buy a gift card for future use

#### **CONTINUE PERSONAL HYGIENE BEST PRACTICES**

- Stay home if you or a close contact feels sick
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth

#### **BE PATIENT AND UNDERSTANDING**

- It's ok to wait until you are personally comfortable dining-in
- Recognize the new normal of restaurant operations and the changes impacting your dining experience





#### SUPPORT SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Provide signs and spacing markers highlighting safe distancing
- Consider an entrance and exit strategy to control flow
- Abide by capacity recommendations/regulations and space tables and chairs as necessary

#### ENSURE A HEALTHY AND SAFE DINING ENVIRONMENT

- Pre-screen employees for temperature and symptoms of COVID-19
- Offer curbside pick-up, takeout orders and consider partnership with a third-party delivery services
- Disinfect high-touch surfaces frequently (https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration /list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2)
- · Create partitions or sneeze guards where needed

#### **PLAN AND TRAIN FOR RE-OPENING**

- Train employees on cleaning and disinfecting procedures, and protective measures, per CDC and FDA guidelines
- Provide employees with personal protective equipment



 Have and utilize the proper cleaning products and supplies

#### **CONTINUE FOOD AND HYGIENE BEST PRACTICES**

- Encourage employees to stay home if they or a close contact feels sick
- Ensure employees are abiding by hygiene best practices
- Use single service gloves, deli tissue, or suitable one-use utensils
- Avoid cross-contamination and regularly-practiced food safety measures

#### LEVERAGE YOUR PARTNERSHIPS AND RESOURCES

• Communicate openly and regularly with vendors and third parties with whom you work to understand their operating procedures



• Set expectations with vendors based on your operating environment

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