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2018 Food Establishment Inspection Scores

At its November 16, 2017, meeting, the Peoria County Board of Health approved a proposal to eliminate food inspection scores during 2018 as a way to transition between the current system and the proposed system that will not be scored the way people have been accustomed to for over 30 years. The State of Illinois adopted a new food code in 2016 and includes an inspection that focuses on Risk Factor (critical violations) rather than the current 100-point system. The date of implementation of the system is still uncertain as the State works through proposed amendments. This new system embraces best practices in food safety inspections with the objective of placing a greater emphasis on reducing risk factors that contribute to foodborne illness.

The Peoria City/County Health Department will be conducting outreach and education to food establishments and the public throughout 2018 to assist individuals in learning key changes to the new food code and gaining an understanding of the new inspection system.

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The Peoria City/County Health Department continues efforts to improve community health in Peoria County with the overarching goal “to increase the number of people who are healthy at every stage of life.”