

FDA 2014 Food Safety Challenge

Detailed Schedule

Call for Submissions – April 22

Entrants can submit concepts here: <http://staging.foodsafetychallenge.com/submit>

Submission Deadline – June 15

The Challenge will stop accepting submissions at 11:59PM EDT on Sunday, June 15.

Finalists Announced – July 15

At least five finalists will be chosen by a panel of food safety experts to receive \$20,000 and advance to the Field Accelerator phase.

Field Accelerator Phase – July 15 - Sept 8

Finalists will refine their concepts with collaboration and mentorship of experts in food safety and pathogen testing.

Bootcamp – July (date to be determined)

Washington, DC

Finalists will participate in an in-person Boot Camp where they will receive valuable learning and guidance from a faculty of FDA and external experts to help iterate and strengthen team concepts. Finalist attendance is mandatory.

Pitch Day – September 9

Washington, DC

Finalists present their concepts at Demo Day in Washington, DC before a live audience of influencers and advocates in food and food safety from the private sector and government. Finalist attendance is mandatory.

Winner Announced – September 16

The winner(s) will be announced and prize(s) will be awarded.