

Foodborne Pathogens Worksheet

Directions: Refer to your reading in Foodborne Pathogens to answer the following questions.

1. Foodborne illness is commonly called _____.
2. To what U.S. government agency does the acronym "CDC" refer?

3. About how many foodborne diseases are recognized by the CDC? _____
4. What are the three major categories of foodborne illness?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
5. What fraction of the total population gets food poisoning each year? _____
6. About how many people die from foodborne illnesses each year? _____
7. Name five bacterial foodborne illnesses.
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____
 - e. _____
8. What virus causes the most foodborne illness in the U.S.?

9. How can anyone insure they do not contract hepatitis A?

10. Why is it important for the physician to know which bacteria is causing the illness?

11. What is often the best test available to determine the pathogen causing the foodborne illness?

12. What is the Mice Inoculation Test used for?

13. What are the four basic rules of safe food preparation?

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____

14. Name two ways that bacteria and parasites are similar.

- a. _____
- b. _____

15. Name three responsibilities physicians have in caring for their patients

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____