

# FARE COLLEGE FOOD ALLERGY PROGRAM

The FARE College Food Allergy Program is designed to serve universities, students and parents as they all work toward the common goal of a safe and inclusive college experience for students managing food allergies. Resources include:

- Pilot Guidelines for Managing Food Allergies in Higher Education
  - Comprehensive best practices for housing/resident life, disability services and dining services. Download at [www.foodallergy.org/collegeprogram](http://www.foodallergy.org/collegeprogram)
- Opportunities for colleges and universities to participate in the program at various levels:
  - **Interdepartmental Partnership:** Work with FARE to create an interdepartmental system for managing food allergies on campus. This will be a university-driven program, with university representatives making decisions about areas of focus. A FARE staff member will work with dining services and disability services to provide free training, help evaluate current systems to identify areas of strength and areas for improvement, and serve as a go-to resource for questions, review and feedback.
  - **Self-Guided Dining Program:** University dining will complete a FARE-provided self-audit and submit it, along with a plan for improvement, to FARE. Upon receiving the audit and plan, FARE will provide dining services training for a select number of dining services staff. This number will be determined in collaboration with the university.
- FARE Matching Funds Program
  - Colleges and universities may apply for up to \$10,000 in FARE matching funds for projects on their campus. Project proposals may include anything from setting up allergy-friendly areas on campus to funding awareness events or materials, but should ultimately benefit students with food allergies enrolled at the campus completing the application.
- College Database
  - FARE is currently developing a free online database where colleges and universities will have the opportunity to indicate how they accommodate students with food allergies and celiac disease. The expected launch of this database is late 2016 or early 2017.
- Free student materials, including student support group resources and guides for incoming and current students. Visit [www.foodallergy.org/resources/college-students](http://www.foodallergy.org/resources/college-students) to check out FARE's student resources.

For more information or to inquire about getting involved, email [collegeprogram@foodallergy.org](mailto:collegeprogram@foodallergy.org) or visit [www.foodallergy.org/collegeprogram](http://www.foodallergy.org/collegeprogram)



## About FARE

Food Allergy Research & Education (FARE) works on behalf of the 15 million Americans with food allergies, including all those at risk for life-threatening anaphylaxis. This potentially deadly disease affects 1 in 13 children in the United States – or roughly two in every classroom.

FARE's mission is to improve the quality of *life* and the *health* of individuals with food allergies, and to provide them *hope* through the promise of new treatments.

Our work is organized around three core tenets:

- **LIFE.** Support the ability of individuals with food allergies to live safe, productive lives with the respect of others through our education and advocacy initiatives.
- **HEALTH.** Enhance the healthcare access of individuals with food allergies to state-of-the-art diagnosis and treatment.
- **HOPE.** Encourage and fund research in both industry and academia that promises new therapies to improve the allergic condition.

