Local health departments use Environmental Health Specialists Network (EHS-Net) practices to conduct environmental assessments during outbreaks to determine how pathogens are spread and cause illness.

- Interview food workers and managers.
- Observe how food is handled, prepared, and temperature controlled.
- Review food service establishment records for operations, policies, and practices.
- Collect specimens, environmental samples and food samples to identify pathogens.

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