**Questions and Answers**

**North Carolina Food Code**

**Subchapter 2-3 PERSONAL CLEANLINESS**

2-301.11

Q: How much exposed arm are to be washed?

A: Food employees shall keep their hands and exposed portions of their arms clean; #6

2-301.11 and 2-302.11(B)

Q: Wait staff that scoop ice, or French-fries, have fake fingernails. Do they need to wear gloves?

A: Yes, the described wait staff meets the definition of a FOOD EMPLOYEE; no bare hand contact with RTE foods; #38, 7

2-302.11 and 2-303.11

Q: Can waitresses or servers wear jewelry or nail polish? Difference between prepare and serve, i.e. bartender, waitstaff, etc.

A: If the waitress's duties meet those in the definition of a FOOD EMPLOYEE; No to jewlery; may be possible to wear gloves with nail polish; #38

2-303.11

Q: Can they have body piercings?

A: Yes - Jewelry not allowed on hands and arms; no violation

Q: If they can't wear medical awareness bands then where on the body?

A: Pinned inside clothing, around neck, pocket, etc; #38

2-303.11 and 2-302.11

Q: Can gloves be worn over jewelry?

A: No not over jewelry, #38; yes over Nail polish, #38