



5 REASONS TO ATTEND **ANFP's 2019 Annual Conference & Expo (ACE)**

- 1. Learn to Tackle Your Biggest Foodservice Challenges**
What are the biggest demands in your position? Is it regulations, improving customer service, food safety and sanitation? The 2019 ANFP Annual Conference & Expo has education sessions that are primed at helping foodservice professionals tackle their most glaring obstacles. Do you have goals in your personal career? ACE also focuses on helping you become a more confident leader. The upcoming conference has sessions on leadership, communication, staff management, and workplace motivation.
- 2. Gain Continuing Education to Nurture Your Career**
To maintain the Certified Dietary Manager (CDM, CFPP) credential, you must earn 45 hours of continuing education (CE) every 3 years. At least 9 of your continuing education hours must be in sanitation and food safety. Effective June 1, 2019, one continuing education hour must focus on professional ethics, which you may obtain by attending our Code of Ethics session at ACE. Attending ACE gives you the opportunity to earn up to 20 CE hours! Foodservice is an ever-evolving industry, and education plays a primary role in helping you stay up-to-date with the latest technology and trends.
- 3. Expand Your Connections with Expo Vendors**
The Expo at ACE hosts 50+ exhibitors that cover the full spectrum of foodservice opportunities. The Expo Hall will be full of innovative products and services. You will have the opportunity to sample, test, and evaluate the latest technology in foodservice. Whether you are happy with your current vendors, or are interested in seeing what other opportunities are available, the Expo is the perfect event to meet face-to-face with the companies whose products and services you may use every day!
- 4. Gather Knowledge to Implement and Impress**
To attend ACE, your supervisor may prefer a written request for your professional development. We took care of that for you with our Letter to Your Supervisor template. Simply fill in all applicable information including your supervisor name and the education sessions that you circled in part 1. Feel free to customize and edit this document to your specific preference, but this should serve as a place to start! Additionally, the ACE program book provides note pages for you to jot down what you learned throughout the conference. Be sure to bring these notes back with you to share with your team!
- 5. Network with Like-Minded Individuals in the Industry**
At ACE, you will have the opportunity to meet individuals who experience the same challenges and difficulties that you do! Networking with these individuals will allow you to make life-long friends and to meet local members who are in your ANFP chapter.