**Proposal No.** 27-100
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| **Proposal for Task Force Consideration at the ISSC 2027 Biennial Meeting** *(Tab to go to next field)* | 1. a. ☒ Growing Area<br>b. ☐ Harvesting/Handling/Distribution<br>c. ☐ Administrative |
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| 10. Proposal Subject | Modify Approved Laboratory Methods Table In Guidance Documents |
| 11. Specific NSSP Guide Reference | Section IV – Guidance Documents, Ch. III – Laboratory, @.02 Methods, .01 Approved NSSP Laboratory Tests |
| 12. Text of Proposal/ Requested Action | See Attached |
| 13. Public Health Significance | The ISSC Laboratory Committee (LC) circulated a questionnaire to ISSC Membership in 2022 requesting feedback on the existing Approved Laboratory Methods Table included in the Guidance Documents section of the NSSP Guide. Based on the responses to that questionnaire, the LC has been working since that time to update and improve the Lab Methods Table to make it more accurate and user friendly.<br><br>The updated Methods Table has been reorganized by method application, as most questionnaire responses indicated that determining the application/approved uses of laboratory methods was the primary reason why this table was utilized. Additionally, the following changes were made to the table in response to feedback received:<br>1) Method names were updated for consistency purposes and to match the terminology used in the Laboratory Evaluation Checklists.<br>2) The associated indicators and approved matrix categories were updated and corrected to match original approvals.<br>3) Limitations and conditions of use for each method have been more clearly spelled out in the updated table.<br>4) Method references have been corrected and refined, and additional details have been added to make them easier to access.<br>5) An introduction was added providing information on how to use the table, where to access pertinent program documentation, and how to access original copies of the method reference documents via the ISSC website.<br>6) Method applications for biotoxin methods were updated to match the Biotoxin Management Strategies described in the Model Ordinance text.<br>7) The market shellfish application was removed, as there are no longer any market shellfish standards included in the Model Ordinance.<br>8) The *Vibrio cholera* method (qPCR for CTX Gene) was removed from the table, as it was never officially adopted by the ISSC. |
| 14. Cost Information | N/A |

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| Action by 2025 Executive Board | Adopted the recommendation of 2025 Laboratory. Interim Approval on October 15, 2025 |