Those people who are likely to suffer the most severe consequences, or death, from foodborne illness or contaminants including the elderly, ill people (immunocompromised), the very young, allergen-sensitive people and pregnant women.

A resistant resting phase of certain bacteria, protecting them against adverse conditions, such as high temperature. They can survive for many years in this state.

Food which is free of contaminants and will not cause harm, injury or illness.

Poisons produced by pathogens.

Disease-producing organism.

Actions or activities required to prevent or eliminate a food safety hazard or reduce it to an acceptable level.