

**FDA HOLDS A NATIONAL FOODBORNE DISEASE SURVEILLANCE TRAINING OF TRAINERS AT REXMAR HOTEL, KUMASI, 19<sup>TH</sup>-20<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2016**

The World Health Organization, as part of its programme to assist member states to build capacity to prevent, detect and manage Foodborne Disease, sponsored a 2-day Training of Trainers workshop on Foodborne Disease Surveillance. The training which was organized by the Food and Drugs Authority and supported by WHO forms part of a series of activities drawn in preparation for the roll out of a National Foodborne Surveillance System in Ghana. A total of twenty (20) participants, comprising officers from FDA Regional Offices and Regional Disease Surveillance Unit of Ministry of Health were trained. The main aim of the training was to equip participants with the requisite skills to collect relevant foodborne disease data to build a credible national database. Topics treated included; Foodborne Disease Surveillance in Ghana, Data Collection and Processing, Data Analysis and Interpretation, Outbreak Investigation, Reporting and Sample Collection. The participants are required to train their colleagues at their various districts for the smooth implementation of the programme.