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## **Background**

There have been several instances worldwide of children and elderly people choking on soft slippery dome-shaped jellies that are designed to be consumed in one bite. Food additive law, Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008, provides a definition of jelly mini-cups and contains provisions to address choking risks posed by such items. Although the definition seems straightforward, it poses several difficulties, for example what does 'firm consistence' mean and how should 'intended to be ingested in a single bite ...' be interpreted? Disputes and requests for advice in this area continue to be a feature of the Government Chemist's work.

## **Workshop**

This workshop will provide advice and guidance on the evaluation of jelly confectionery and its conformity to the Regulation definition. Delegates will be given the opportunity to witness the analysis of jelly confectionery by members of the Government Chemist team and to handle and assess such products. Delegates will also be provided with an example checklist which can be used to help in the analysis.

The workshop will be of benefit to anyone involved in the testing, production, supply or regulation/enforcement of jelly confectionery that might fall under the legal definition of jelly mini-cups.

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The workshop is free for public analysts. Please book your place early by contacting: [training@lgcgroup.com](mailto:training@lgcgroup.com)

## **About the organisers**

Defra, FSA and FSS working in collaboration with the Government Chemist (funded by BEIS), have agreed a framework for the provision of knowledge transfer on food standards and food safety analysis to public analysts and industry laboratories for three years (2017 – 2020).

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## [News story: New chair of BPDTS Ltd appointed](#)

New chair of BPDTS Ltd appointed – GOV.UK

Jeremy Moore is the new chair of BPDTS Ltd, the government-owned company set up to provide specialist services to the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP).



Jeremy Moore has been appointed for 5 years from 1 January 2019.

A former director-general of policy at the DWP, Jeremy Moore sits on the boards of the Learning and Work Institute and the Shaw Trust. He was made a Companion of the Bath in 2016.

Jeremy Moore has said:

I am delighted and honoured to join BPDTS at a key point in its growth and look forward to working with all colleagues and stakeholders to deliver IT and related services to support DWP in its hugely important role.

The chair of BPDTS Ltd is a public appointment made by the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions.

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