Living Well Tip of the Week

Follow the four food safety steps for a Thanksgiving meal that is delicious and safe!

**Clean**
- Wash hands frequently
- Be sure that utensils, plates & work surface are thoroughly cleaned

**Separate**
- Avoid cross-contamination by separating raw meat & poultry from foods that will not be cooked

**Cook**
- Use a food thermometer to verify that the turkey has reached a high enough temperature to destroy harmful bacteria: *Whole turkey, thighs & wings should reach 180 F. Turkey breast should reach 170 F. Stuffing should reach 165 F*

**Chill**
- Refrigerate or freeze perishables, prepared food, & leftovers within 2 hours. Cut turkey into smaller pieces. Slice the breast meat. Wings & legs may be left whole. Place turkey into shallow containers for storing in the refrigerator

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