SANITARY PROFILE OF THE PRODUCTION, STORAGE AND MARKETING OF FOODSTUFFS BY PEDDLERS IN UBERLÂNDIA – MG
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Street foods arouse more suspicion about the sanity due to peculiar form of production storage and marketing, fleeing various aspects observed in good manufacturing practices. Sales and production areas normally have inadequate infrastructure, increasing the risks of these foods as vehicles of diseases. This question may be associated with little knowledge of peddlers of good manufacturing practices, but also the intention to fast profit with the use of raw materials of dubious quality, both in nutritional and health aspects.

The aim of this work was to perform a diagnostic about the profile hygienic sanitary of the peddlers that selling food at “Feira da Gente” in Uberlândia-MG, in order to direct educational actions regarding the production and marketing of safe food. All 17 peddlers working in fair were invited to participate in the project. Of these 11 agreed to participate and signing the deed of free and informed consent. Their points of sale have been assessed through a sanitary-hygienic inspection involving questions about 1. preparation practices, 2. environmental and hygienic conditions of materials and utensils, 3. profile of hucksters and 4. quality control of food selling point. It was obtained 61% of non-compliance vs. 35% of compliant items. The highest levels of non-compliance referred to the topic 2, showing 81% of non-conforming items. The results show the need for action by the health authorities in order to offer training as well as assist them in adapting to good manufacturing practices.