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TO: Local Boards of Health and Health Departments

FROM: Michael Moore, MDPH/BEH Food Protection Program

DATE: October 2, 2018

**RE: Vendors Approved by MDPH to Provide Allergen Awareness Training**

The following two vendors are approved by Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) to issue certificates of allergen awareness training in accordance with 105 CMR 590.011(C)(3)(a).

* Compliance – To comply with 105 CMR 590.011(C)(3)(a), at least ***one certified food protection manager per food establishment*** must obtain an allergen awareness certificate from one of these three MDPH-approved vendors.
* Online Training – To obtain an allergen awareness certificate over the Internet, visit a vendor’s website, pay $10, and follow the instructions for watching the allergen awareness video.
* Classroom Training - To obtain an allergen awareness certificate in a classroom setting, contact a vendor and ask for information about available classroom trainings.

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| **Berkshire Area Health Education Center**1350 West StreetPittsfield, MA 01201 | **Options to be trained by Berkshire AHEC:**• Visit their website at <http://www.berkshireahec.org/>• Contact AHEC at sdargie@berkshireahec.org• Call (413) 236-4500 |
| **Massachusetts Restaurant Association**160 East Main St. - Suite 2Westborough, MA 01581 | **Options to be trained by MRA:**• Visit the MRA website at <http://www.themassrest.org/>• Call 508-303-9905 |