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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.

<p>Berkshire Area Health Education Center 1350 West Street Pittsfield, MA 01201</p>	<p>Options to be trained by Berkshire AHEC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit their website at http://www.berkshireahec.org/ • Contact AHEC at sdargie@berkshireahec.org • Call (413) 236-4500
<p>Massachusetts Restaurant Association 160 East Main St. - Suite 2 Westborough, MA 01581</p>	<p>Options to be trained by MRA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit the MRA website at http://www.themassrest.org/ • Call 508-303-9905