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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).

- <u>Compliance</u> 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.
- <u>Classroom Training</u> To obtain an allergen awareness certificate in a classroom setting, contact a vendor and ask for information about available classroom trainings.

Berkshire Area Health Education Center 1350 West Street Pittsfield, 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	Options to be trained by MRA:
160 East Main St Suite 2 Westborough, MA 01581	 Visit the MRA website at http://www.themassrest.org/ Call 508-303-9905