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TO: Local Boards of Health and Health Departments
FROM: Michael Moore, MDPH/BEH Food Protection Program
DATE: October 14, 2010
RE: **Allergen Awareness Training for Certified Food Managers**

Section 105 CMR 590.009(G)(3)(a) of the new Allergen Awareness Regulation states that:

“By February 1, 2011, such food establishments [establishments that cook, prepare, or serve food intended for immediate consumption either on or off the premises] shall have on staff a certified food protection manager who has been issued a Massachusetts certificate of allergen awareness training by an allergen awareness training verification program recognized by the Department. The certificate will be valid for 5 years.”

The following three vendors are approved by MDPH to issue certificates of allergen awareness training in accordance with 105 CMR 590.009(G)(3)(a). Contractual agreements between MDPH and these vendors will be finalized shortly.

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