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Calhoun County Public Health Department Certified Manager Class

The Calhoun County Public Health Department (CCPHD) is providing a Certified Manager Class. This class meets all the requirements of Michigan’s Food Code for a certified manager in food service facilities. Michigan’s Food Code and Calhoun County’s Ordinance requires licensed food service establishments to have at least one certified manager available during their operation. To gain certification a manager must successfully complete a nationally accredited exam.

The requirement for a certified manager is intended to protect the public’s health by greatly reducing the risk of foodborne illness. One of the major causes of food related illness is the lack of knowledge in food service workers – what workers do, or in some cases, do not do. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) estimates that 76 million people in the U.S. each year are sickened, including 323,000 people requiring hospitalization and 5,000 deaths. Much of this can be prevented by providing education to food service workers.

The Certified Manager Class is appropriate for individuals who directly supervise food service employees in the day-to-day operation or who develop standard operating procedures (S.O.P.s) and H.A.C.C.P. based recipes for their operation. The class is also appropriate for anyone interested in gaining a valuable credential for a job search.

The eight-hour class is from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (lunch from 12 to 1 on your own) on the third Thursday of each month. Classes are held in the CCPHD office located in the George W. Toeller Building, 190 E. Michigan Avenue, Battle Creek. The Certified Manager Class fee is \$55 and is non-refundable. Payment is required prior to class to reserve your place. (Check payable to CCPHD or correct cash). Early registration is recommended. If you are unable to attend and would like to transfer your registration to another class date, a 48 hour notice must be given to CCPHD to transfer.

Please bring #2 pencils for the exam and note-taking materials. Upon successful completion of the class, a certificate valid in all 50 states for five years will be provided.

If you would like to prepare for the class, self-study materials are available during regular CCPHD office hours: 7:00 a.m. – 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (closed 12 – 1). Study aids consist of the class power point presentation, sample exam questions, and foreign language materials. Please call before arriving to ensure accessibility. We recommend you bring materials for note taking.

Participation in a Certified Manager Class provides a great opportunity to increase the efficiency of your facility, minimize the possibility of foodborne illness, and meet the requirements of Michigan’s Food Law.

CLASS DATES FOR 2010: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (lunch on your own at 12-1)

Jan 21	Feb 18	Mar 18	Apr 15	May 20	June 17	July 15	Aug 19	Sept 16	Oct 21	Nov 18	Dec 16
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For more information or to register for a class, please contact Calhoun County Public Health Department, Environmental Health at (269) 969-6341. Registration information is available on the website at www.calhouncountymi.gov/publichealth on the Environmental Health page.