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The purpose of this memo is to provide you with critical updates which impact your food establishment and your food service sanitation managers. Please pass this information along to those within your establishment who need it to remain compliant with Illinois food safety regulations. Please call us at 684-3143, ext. 128 should you have any questions.

ILLINOIS SWITCHING FROM FSSMC TO CFPM – Public Act 100-0194 eliminates the need for the Illinois Food Service Sanitation Manager Certification (FSSMC) and defers to the FDA Food Code requirement for Certified Food Protection Managers (CFPM). Bottom line – You still need certified food managers, but no longer will they also have to obtain an Illinois certificate once they complete a nationally-certified food manager training course. Effective January 1, 2018. *New law DOES NOT impact “food handler” training which continues to be required for all staff within 30 days of hire.*

REQUIRED ALLERGEN TRAINING – Illinois Public Act 100-0367 requires all food managers (FSSMC/CFPM) working in category I (high risk) restaurants to also obtain additional allergen awareness training from an ANSI-accredited provider within 30 days of hire and every three years thereafter. Excludes medium and low risk food establishments, and multi-state businesses/franchisees with approved food handler training programs. Currently, the only ANSI-approved trainings are the ServSafe Allergens course, the AllerTrain course, and the Foodservice Safe/TAP Series Allergen course (all available online). Effective January 1, 2018, with enforcement beginning July 1, 2018.

SWITCH TO THE 2013 FDA FOOD CODE – Illinois will be moving from the current State food code to the 2013 FDA food code. IDPH’s deadline for local health departments to implement enforcement of the new code is July 1, 2018. Jackson County Health Department will move to the new code at that time. We recommend food establishments begin familiarizing themselves with the new food code now. It can be found at:

<http://www.dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/food-safety/retail-food>

Enclosed is a draft inspection form provided by IDPH. You will notice that no inspection score will be given; items are marked as either in or out of compliance. An increased focus will be made on Foodborne Illness Risk Factors. Kitchen staff will be required to prove food safety knowledge by demonstrating proper procedures to inspectors. At this time, JCHD staff are learning the new code and how to enforce it.

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ATTENTION: Language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call 1-618-684-3143.

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ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-618-684-3143.

Jackson County Health Department postępuje zgodnie z obowiązującymi federalnymi prawami obywatelskimi i nie dopuszcza się dyskryminacji ze względu na rasę, kolor skóry, pochodzenie, wiek, niepełnosprawność bądź płeć.

UWAGA: Jeżeli mówisz po polsku, możesz skorzystać z bezpłatnej pomocy językowej. Zadzwoń pod numer 1-618-684-3143.