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### **OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE FOOD PROTECTION RULE 3701-21-25**

Ohio's Food Protection certification program consists of two levels of training designed to educate food personnel on effective food safety practices for preventing foodborne illness.

#### ***Level 1 Ohio Certification in Food Protection***

**Level One Certification is a mandated training for the person in charge per shift of a risk level I, II, III, and IV food service operation or retail food establishment in the following instances:**

- When a new food service operation or a new retail food establishment is licensed after March 1, 2010 unless the individual has successfully completed an equivalent or more comprehensive certification course (Level 2).
- When a food service operation or retail food establishment has been implicated in a foodborne disease outbreak.
- When the licensor has documented a failure to maintain sanitary conditions as per section 3717.29 of the Ohio revised Code for a retail food establishment or section 3717.49 of the Revised Code for a food service operation.

#### ***Level 2 Ohio Certification in Food Protection***

**Level Two Certification is a mandated training for all risk level III and IV food service operations and retail food establishments.** At least one employee of risk level III and IV facility with supervisory and management responsibility with the authority to direct and control food preparation and service must obtain Level 2 Certification by one year after the effective rule date of this rule. If you've already obtained Level 2 Certification (ServSafe), you can apply for reciprocity on the Ohio Department of Health's website at <http://www.odh.ohio.gov/odhprograms/eh/foods/ert/foodfor.aspx>.

## ***Level 1/Level 2 Ohio Certification in Food Protection Training Providers***

A list of Level One/Level Two Certification providers located in and near Mahoning County is listed below. This list was taken from the Ohio Department of Health website (odh.ohio.gov), print date 1/20/16, and may not contain all providers. It is provided as a public service and does not constitute an endorsement or recommendation. As of 1/20/16, these individuals have the certification necessary to conduct the certification program required by 3701-21-25. **Should you use a provider not listed below, you will need to submit documentation as required by the Ohio Department of Health for proper certification. The application can be found at <http://www.odh.ohio.gov/odhprograms/eh/foods/cert/cert.aspx>.**

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