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SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENT
SPS-EH-2014-001

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1. SPS Subject:

The purpose of this SPS is to clarify when the Department will require a food service establishment to obtain a Certified Food Service Manager card.

2. Statutory Overview:

A. Maricopa County Environmental Health Code (MCEHC)

3. SPS:

The MCEHC establishes regulations defining when a food establishment must obtain and maintain a Certified Food Service Manager (CFM) on staff. In addition, Chapter 7, Regulation 8 defines exemptions to the CFM requirement. As stated, the CFM exemption is reserved for food service establishments that exclusively serve prepackaged foods that are not potentially hazardous (time/temperature control for safety).

The Department will only enforce the CFM requirement for food establishments that handle open potentially hazardous (time/temperature control for safety) foods.

4. SPS Effective Date:

June 17th, 2014

5. SPS New Document/Revision Statement:

SPS-EH-2014-001 is a new SPS.

6. Contact Us:

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