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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS PUBLIC HEALTH TRAINING HUB (CMPH TRAINING HUB)

Local Public Intensive Training (LPHIT) Food, Housing & Training Hub Prerequisites

The overarching goal of the Training program is to elevate the existing training infrastructure for local public health professionals (LPH). It provides standardized, hands-on competency training in housing and food. The online courses detailed below establish a foundation, ensuring all LPH individuals receive uniform baseline training before entering the Local Public Health Intensive Training (LPHIT) Housing and Food programs. This comprehensive training ensures that local public health professionals are well-prepared and equipped with the necessary knowledge and skills for effective food and housing inspections.

The prerequisites for LPHIT Food are meticulously designed to furnish Food Inspectors with a profound understanding of essential food safety and public health principles. Similarly, the Prerequisites for LPHIT Housing are tailored to equip Housing Inspectors with an in-depth understanding of key areas that they may encounter during housing inspections.

These prerequisites will help to ensure inspectors are able to conduct housing and food inspections effectively and efficiently. These courses are accessible on TRAIN MA, FDA LearnED Training System, and ComplianceWire (FDA LMS). Creating an account on each system is necessary to undertake these courses.

Please visit the following links to create an account for each system:

- **TRAIN:** please email Mishel Caisapanta, Public Health Training Manager, at mcaisapanta@cmrpc.org.
- **ComplianceWire:** <https://www.compliancewire.com/Secure/custom/FDAORAOTEDSelfReg.asp>
- **ORA LearnED:** <https://www.fda.gov/training-and-continuing-education/office-training-education-and-development-oted/request-ora-learned-training-system-account>

If you need any help with creating a ComplianceWire or ORA LearnED account, please use this job aid: [FDA LMS Job Aid](#).

Below you will find a list of frequently asked questions on LPHIT courses and Training Hub.



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Courses in TRAIN MA:

- Health Promotion and Health Equity (1 contact hour)
- How to Hold a Public Hearing in Massachusetts (1 contact hour)
- Public Health Workforce Protection (1.5 contact hour)
- Safety: Practical Strategies While Doing Field Work (1 contact hour)
- Solid Waste & Recycling (1 contact hour)
- The 10 Essential Public Health Services in Action (1.5 contact hour)
- Orientation to Local Public Health in MA (1 contact hour)
- Public Health Law and Legal Issues in MA (1 contact hour)

Prerequisites for LPHIT Housing:

Courses in TRAIN MA:

- Administrative Search Warrants (1 contact hour)
- Nuisance Control Abatement and Removal (1 contact hour)
- Bed Bugs: A special Housing Topic (1 contact hour)
- Hoarding: A Special Housing Topic (1 contact hour)
- Mold: A Special Housing Topic (1 contact hour)

Prerequisites for Training Housing:

- Completion of the LPHIT Housing Program and all prerequisites listed above.

Co-requisites for LPHIT Food:

Courses in TRAIN MA:

- Food Protection for Regulators (2 contact hours)

Courses in ORA LearnED:

Communication Skills

- Communication Skills for Regulators (CC8011W)

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Courses in ComplianceWire:

Prevailing Statutes, Regulations and Ordinances (4 hours)

- FDA35 – Basic Food Law for State Regulators (60 mins)
- FDA38 – Basics of Inspection: Beginning an Inspection (90 mins)
- FDA39 – Basics of Inspections: Issues and Observations (90 mins)

Public Health Principles (1.5 hours)

- FDA36 – Public Health Principles (90 mins)

Microbiology (14 hours)

- MIC01 -Food Microbiological Control 1: Overview of Microbiology (60 mins)
- MIC02 -Food Microbiological Control 2A: Gram-Negative Rods (60 mins)
- MIC03 -Food Microbiological Control 2B: Gram-Positive Rods & Cocci (90 mins)
- MIC04 -Food Microbiological Control 3: Foodborne Viruses (60 mins)
- MIC05 -Food Microbiological Control 4: Foodborne Parasites (90 mins)
- MIC16 -Food Microbiological Control: Mid-Series Exam (30 mins)
- MIC06 -Food Microbiological Control 5: Controlling Growth Factors (90 mins)
- MIC07-Food Microbiological Control 6: Control by Refrigeration and Freezing (60 mins)
- MIC08-Food Microbiological Control 7A: Control by Thermal Processing (90 mins)
- MIC09 - Food Microbiological Control 7B: Control by Pasteurization (90 mins)
- MIC13 - Food Microbiological Control 10: Aseptic Sampling (90 mins)
- MIC15 - Food Microbiological Control 12: Cleaning and Sanitizing (90 mins)

HACCP (3 hours)

- FDA16 – Basics of HACCP: Overview of HACCP (60 mins)
- FDA17 – Basics of HACCP: Prerequisite Programs and Preliminary Steps (60 mins)
- FDA18 – Basics of HACCP: The Principles (60 mins)

Prerequisites for Training Food:

- Completion of the LPHIT Food and all Prerequisites listed above.

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LPHIT and Training Hub FAQ's

Q: Who should take the LPHIT Food and Housing courses?

A: Local public health (LPH) professionals who conduct housing and food inspections. Please refer to the [Workforce Standards](#).

Q: Why do I need to take the LPHIT Food and Housing courses?

A: LPHIT Food and Housing courses aim to assist LPH professionals in preparing to meet the essential training requirements for housing and specializing in Food Protection aligned in the [Workforce Standards](#).

Q: I have taken the LPHIT Food and Housing courses in the past. Do I have to take the courses again?

A: Yes. Massachusetts Food and Housing Regulations have changed since the LPHIT courses were provided. You will need to show proof of completing the Prerequisites for each course.

Q: I do not remember what email address I used for Local Public Health Institute (LPHI) or FDA accounts in order to retrieve my certificates. What should I do?

A: If you are having issues with your LPHI account, please fill out a form by clicking [here](#) and include your email address in the request. If you have any past emails associated with your training(s), be sure to include those addresses as well. It will take roughly 7 business days to process your request. For FDA accounts, please email Appsdesk@fda.hhs.gov.

Q: What happens when I complete the LPHIT courses?

A: When you complete the LPHIT courses AND the prerequisites for each course, you will be eligible to start Tier 3: Applied Practice with CMPH Training Hub.

Q: Who should I contact to complete Tier 3: Applied Practice?

A: The training will be completed by Mishel Caisapanta, Public Health Training Manager, for CMPH Training Hub. DPH Central Trainers are finalizing the full training curriculum portion. Once this is finalized, Mishel will get in touch with you. Please be patient as we finalize the full details.

Q: Would I receive a certificate when I complete the LPHIT courses?

A: Yes. You will receive a certificate of completion upon fulfilling all the prerequisites for each course AND the applied practice with CMPH Training Hub.