CCHD Announces Draft Revisions to it’s Regulatory Code

The Central Connecticut Health District (CCHD) operates under the provisions of a Sanitary Code (the Code). The Code was originally adopted in 2007 and consists of the Health District’s rules and regulations governing the areas we license including food service establishments, public swimming pools, motels and rooming units and salons and barbershops. This Code is in effect throughout the Health District’s four member towns and was last revised in 2010. It is being revised at this time to reflect changes in current codes, regulations and ordinances, including the Connecticut Public Health Code. Additional changes have been made to streamline the chapters and more closely reflect how the Code is currently enforced.

The text of the 2007 Code, as amended in 2010, and the 2020 proposed Code are available on the CCHD website at www.ccthd.org. CCHD will be hosting a series of informational sessions on December 13, 2020 for the regulated community to ask questions and express ideas or concerns. Please call CCHD at 860 785-8380 x203 for more details on session times. Comments on the proposed revisions can also be submitted in writing up until December 30, 2020. Please address comments to CCHD, attention Barbara Gigliotti, at 2080 Silas Deane Highway, Rocky Hill, CT 06067

The portion of the Code affecting your business is: **2020 Revised Sanitary Code – Chapter 3 Pools**

The administrative sections of this chapter were consolidated into Chapter 1, General Provisions, and removed from Chapter 3. The following summarizes additional changes to Chapter 3.

**Section 3.1 Definitions** Added definitions for Pool Operator and Pool Supervisory Person

**Section 3.2 Application and Issuance of License** No change.

**Section 3.3 Pool Supervisory Person** The Pool Supervisory Person is now required to possess a Certified Pool Operators (CPO) certificate. The proposed version removes the requirement for the Pool Operator to be onsite at all times the pool is open, provided a trained alternate person is in charge when the CPO is off-site. The CPO must train the alternate and written training records must be maintained.

**Section 3.4 Disinfection and Testing of Water** Requires a DPD pool test kit, specifies test parameters and acceptable ranges. Requires test kit chemicals be replaced yearly.

**Section 3.5 Recordkeeping** Requires water to be tested a minimum of three times a day. Requires the pool to be closed immediately if disinfectant level or pH is out of range. Requires daily testing records be maintained for a minimum of six months and be available upon request.

**Section 3.6 Equipment** Requires all pumps, filters and disinfectant feeders comply with NSF standards. Requires air handling system for indoor pools to circulate air including outdoor makeup air. Specifies requirements for deck equipment, life saving equipment, depth markings, signage, first aid equipment and phones.

**Section 3.7 Food, Drink and Animals Prohibited** Requires that drinking water be provided in the pool area. Prohibits glass within the pool enclosure.