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*Winnebago County Health Department to Offer New
2017 Food Code Revision Educational Sessions*

The Winnebago County Health Department is offering educational sessions in light of the new food code changes which will affect operations associated with food events for the general public. The educational sessions will be offered starting the week of March 14 through the week of March 18, 2017.

The new food code revision sessions are for both **Temporary Permit Vendors** and **Special Event Vendors**. These sessions are not required, but attendance is encouraged in order to find out the new Winnebago County Food Codes which take effect early this spring. Space is limited for each of these sessions.

A **Temporary Food Establishment** means a food establishment **with a licensed commissary** that operates at a fixed location for a period of no more than 26 calendar dates within a prescribed six month period in conjunction with a single or organized event.

A **Special Event** means an individual company or group event, which may or may not be associated with an organized event, in which a person or entity that has **no licensed commissary** set up a food booth in a parking lot, park or street that provides food to the public. Special events are limited to no more than six calendar dates within a prescribed six month period.

To register for one of the sessions, please go to the Winnebago County Health Department website at www.wchd.org. For questions or more information regarding the educational sessions, contact Lisa Sprecher, Public Facilities Supervisor at 815.720.4117. Be sure to visit the Winnebago County Health Department's [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages.