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STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION



Dora B. Schriro Commissioner

Joette Katz Commissioner

December 8, 2016

Dear Members of Connecticut's Hospitality Industry,

Pursuant to Public Act No. 16-71 "An Act Concerning Human Trafficking," the State Departments of Children and Families and Emergency Services and Public Protection recommend an educational training program and refresher training program for hotel, motel, inn and similar lodging establishments for the purpose of accurate and prompt identification and reporting of suspected human trafficking. As such, we propose the attached educational training resources that include PowerPoint presentations, posters and brochures, as well as in-person training opportunities for your businesses to utilize and provide guidance to employees in the hospitality industry on the recognition of potential victims of human trafficking and the activities commonly associated with human trafficking.

Also new in the legislation effective on October 1, 2016, the operator of each hotel, motel, inn or similar lodging shall ensure that each employee receives training at the time of hire. In addition, such operators of these establishments shall conduct ongoing awareness campaigns for employees on the activities associated with human trafficking. The attached resources shall also assist in fulfilling these requirements.

We look forward to our continued association and to working collaboratively with the hospitality industry.

Sincerely

Joette Katz, Commissioner

Department of Children and Families

Dora B. Schriro, Commissioner

Department of Emergency Service and

Public Protection