

## **CCOF Foundation Education Programs 2018**

# THE ORGANIC TRAINING INSTITUTE

#### How Do I Need to Comply with FSMA? – A Webinar for Organic Produce Growers $\longrightarrow$ January 22; Online webinar

Are you confused about how the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) will impact your produce farm? Are you unsure about when enforcement of FSMA regulations will start? Are you concerned that the new food safety regulations may conflict with your organic growing practices? Get your questions answered! Join the CCOF Foundation and Community Alliance with Family Farmers (CAFF) for a webinar that will review the key components of FSMA regulations—including the different FSMA compliance categories and compliance timelines—as well as link you to food safety resources for organic growers.

#### PSA-Approved Food Safety Workshops in English and Spanish →

- » March 7; Fresno Region, California
- » March 28; Sacramento Region, California
- » April 11; San Diego Region, California

- » November 7; Petaluma/Sonoma Region, California
- » January 2019; Monterey/Pacific Grove Region, California

Is your business a produce farm that grosses between \$250,000-\$500,000 in annual sales? If the answer is yes, you may be required by the FSMA Produce Safety Rule to complete a mandatory Produce Safety Alliance (PSA)-approved training course by the beginning of 2019. We're here to help: attend one of our low-cost, in-person workshops that will fulfill this requirement. Each in-person workshop begins promptly at 8:00 a.m. and runs through 5:30 p.m. Lunch, course materials, and certificate fees are included in the cost of registration. The Fresno, San Diego, and Monterey region trainings will be available in both English and Spanish. More information at https://www.ccof.org/psa-approved-food-safety-workshops.

#### Financial Planning, Risk Management, and Crop Insurance 101 for Farmers $\longrightarrow$ May 23; Online webinar

Successful farms are successful businesses. Join the CCOF Foundation and California FarmLink for a webinar that will review basic financial planning for farmers. You'll also learn about risk management tools—including crop insurance—that can help you reduce financial risk while growing your farm business.

#### Access to Crop Insurance: The Whole Farm Revenue Protection (WFRP) Program and Other Opportunities June 19; Online webinar

Organic and diversified farms now have a crop insurance option through the Whole Farm Revenue Protection (WFRP) program, as well as disaster assistance options through the USDA's Farm Service Agency. Join the CCOF Foundation and California FarmLink to find out how insurance like WFRP and other risk management programs address the needs of organic and diversified farms. Learn what you need to know to apply today, and in the future.

#### Organic Recordkeeping 101 for Growers $\rightarrow$ August 21; Online webinar

The practice of recordkeeping to track organic production is integral for growers who are committed to raising and selling certified organic crops. This webinar will provide a framework for developing a unique recordkeeping system for your operation that meets the USDA National Organic Program regulations for certified organic production. Examples of forms and templates will be included to help make the on-farm portion of your recordkeeping easier and more complete. This webinar is hosted in partnership with the National Center for Appropriate Technology (NCAT).

#### Advanced Organic Recordkeeping for Growers → September 12; Online webinar

Join NCAT and the CCOF Foundation for a webinar that explores digital solutions for organic recordkeeping. Our speakers will highlight software strategies that can assist you in keeping records while meeting USDA National Organic Program standards for certified organic crop production.



### Learn more about our organic trainings at <a href="https://www.ccof.org/organic-training-institute">www.ccof.org/organic-training-institute</a> >>

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Dates and locations are subject to change. Find the most up-to-date details at www.ccof.org/organic-training-insitute.