

MEMORANDUM

To: Mahoning County Tattoo/Body Piercing Apprentices and New Registered Artists

From: Mahoning County Public Health

Subject: **Additional Training Options**

Date: July 8, 2025

Please be informed that the **Board of Mahoning County Public Health has approved an additional training option**. Historically, body art safety courses were not readily available that satisfied code requirements including demonstrated knowledge of the principles of sterilization and standard precautions for preventing transmission of bloodborne and other infectious diseases. MCPH created a course to satisfy the regulations, also including First Aid as required by OAC, to create a one-stop course to meet code requirements.

The following three courses have been approved to meet the requirements as set forth in OAC 3701-9-04(M) and provide an **alternative online option** to the MCPH course. Please note all three courses must be taken and certificates of completion provided to MCPH to meet training requirements (in addition to completion of required apprenticeship hours).

- **Cathy Montie Body Art Training Company's *Sterilization Standards***
<https://cathymontie.com/sterilization-standards-class/>
- **Cathy Montie Body Art Training Company's *USA Bloodborne Pathogens***
<https://cathymontie.com/usa-bloodborne-pathogen-class/>
- ***First Aid*** (provided by licensed physicians, registered nurses, organizations such as the American Red Cross, accredited learning institutions, appropriate governmental entities)

As always, we appreciate your consideration and welcome any suggestions. If you have any comments or questions, please contact this office at the address below or by telephone at (330) 270-2855 ext. 130 or 110.

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