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BEDC INVITES KITCHEN OPERATORS TO FIND OUT HOW TO GO FROM IDLE TO INSPECTION-READY AND INCOME-GENERATING

Hamilton, Bermuda 8 April 2026 – The Bermuda Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) will host a free Lunch and Learn on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, from 12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the BEDC, located on the 1st Floor of Sofia House, 48 Church Street, Hamilton.

From Idle to Income – Is Your Commercial Kitchen Health Department Ready? brings together commercial kitchen owners, operators, and individuals with underutilised kitchen space for a session on meeting Department of Health (DOH) requirements and turning compliant facilities into new revenue opportunities.

The session will provide a clear breakdown of DOH inspection standards, along with tools to help participants assess their kitchen's current level of readiness and insight into potential upgrade pathways and the steps required to bring kitchen facilities into compliance.

The session will also introduce BEDC's Commercial Kitchens Program (CKP), which supports the use of certified kitchen spaces as a source of income for owners and a resource for food entrepreneurs across Bermuda. Lunch will be provided.

A dedicated Q&A segment will give participants the opportunity to engage directly with representatives from the Department of Health, creating space for operators and regulators to connect and align on compliance expectations.

William Spriggs, Director of Economic & Cooperative Development at BEDC, spoke to the opportunity the session represents. "Commercial kitchens are a critical but often underutilised asset in Bermuda's business ecosystem. Many operators have space that, with the right compliance framework, can generate real income while supporting food entrepreneurs across the island. This session is about helping them move from uncertainty to action."

The session is open to commercial kitchen owners and operators, individuals with underutilised kitchen space, entrepreneurs exploring shared kitchen opportunities, and anyone interested in meeting health standards and generating income through compliant kitchen facilities.

The event supports BEDC's broader efforts to expand Bermuda's commercial kitchen capacity and strengthen collaboration between operators and regulatory bodies.

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