

## Produce Safety Alliance (PSA) – Grower Training and Train-the-Trainer Courses

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The Produce Safety Alliance (PSA) has been tasked with developing the standardized national produce safety training program to prepare fresh produce growers to meet the regulatory requirements in the U.S. Food and Drug Administration’s (FDA) Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Rule. The PSA has developed two types of training courses; Grower Training Course and Train-the-Trainer Course.

The PSA Grower Training Curriculum was created through a four-year nationwide development process. In 2011, after hosting an international gathering to review current educational resources, the PSA launched ten, open Working Committees (WCs), composed of one hundred seventy-eight unique members from academia, agriculture, industry, and regulatory agencies. The WCs identified key areas and learning objectives to be addressed in the grower curriculum. Additionally, grower preferences regarding produce safety training programs were collected by hosting eight in-person farmer focus groups nationwide, collecting feedback from eighty-nine produce growers. In 2015 and 2016, the PSA also engaged with the FDA Division of Produce Safety staff to align the curriculum content with the final FSMA Produce Safety Rule requirements and incorporate the regulatory language throughout the curriculum modules and teaching notes. The seven module PSA Grower Training Course was designed to be delivered in one day, although multi-day trainings are an option.

PSA Train-the-Trainer (TTT) Courses have been designed to prepare educators to deliver the PSA Grower Training Course to produce growers and become PSA Trainers or PSA Lead Trainers. During the two-day Train-the-Trainer Course, attendees will have the opportunity to experience all seven PSA Grower Training Course modules, and learn more about conducting effective trainings for growers.

This will be an integrated Grower Training and TTT. The fee includes manual, certificate, lunch and refreshments.

\*\*Courses will run from 8 am to 5 pm each day\*\*

<b>Grower Training</b>	<b>Train-the-Trainer</b>
November 9, 2017 Fee: \$100	November 9 - 10, 2017 Fee: \$150
The Heathman Lodge 7801 NE Greenwood Dr. Vancouver, WA 98662 360-254-3100	The Heathman Lodge 7801 NE Greenwood Dr. Vancouver, WA 98662 360-254-3100
**Course is limited to 10 attendees**	**Course is limited to 30 attendees**

Lead instructors: Drs. Don Stoeckel and Connie Fisk, Produce Safety Alliance

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