

TIPS training available for alcohol servers

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WATERSMEET -- The Training for Intervention Procedures program is an alcohol server training program that will offer classes in Watersmeet. Session participants will become certified in the TIPS program by attending the class the first Thursday of each month from noon to 3 p.m. at the Lac Vieux Desert Resort Casino.

The cost is \$50. Certification is valid for three years and is approved by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

Program participants are trained by certified instructors to detect the signs of intoxication and gain the confidence needed to intervene effectively to prevent alcohol-related problems. Participants also learn to identify underage people and people who are already intoxicated. Immediate benefits include:

- Reduced exposure to alcohol liability lawsuits.
- Lower insurance premiums.
- Reduced penalties for alcohol violations.
- Improved customer service and satisfaction for any size business or organization.
- On premise: Hotels, restaurants, bars, and nightclubs.
- Off premise: Grocery, convenience, and package stores. -->[Note: MI LCC doesn't certify off premise programs, although they sometimes require it when there is a violation - gr]
- Concessions: Stadiums, amusement parks and festivals.
- Casinos: Riverboats, gaming halls and casinos.
- Social Functions: Weddings, parties, country clubs and catered events.

Training at your establishment is available if that is preferred.

Contact Joette Pete-Baldwin to register at 906-358-4226, ext. 187, or 800-583-3599.