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HCC cannabis roundtable set

The Cannabis Education Center at Holyoke Community College will hold an online cannabis industry roundtable for employers on Friday from 1 to 2:30 p.m. over Zoom.

Featured presenters include representatives from Elevate Northeast, HCC's community and workforce training partner, and officials from Massachusetts-based cannabis businesses and organizations: Cara Burnham-Crabb, director of Education, Elevate Northeast; TaShonda Vincent Lee, director of Community Outreach, Elevate Northeast; Beth Waterfall, executive director, Elevate Northeast; Gene Ray, vice president of Laboratory Operations, Garden Remedies; Tim Shaw, chief operating officer, MariMed; and Marion McNabb, chief executive officer and co-founder, Cannabis Community Care and Research Network.

Discussion will focus on workforce challenges, business outlook, and training needs of cannabis employers, and services, support and programs offered by the Cannabis Education Center. Breakout rooms will concentrate on specific industry areas: cultivation, culinary, medical, retail and processing.

Register for the roundtable online at hcc.edu/cannatable-11-20.

The Cannabis Education Center has also announced its spring training programs for people who want to work in the cannabis industry.

The CEC will offer an intensive, two-day Cannabis Core Training program over Zoom on Jan. 23 and Jan. 24.

Students who complete the core training can then register for spring 2021 classes in one of four cannabis industry career tracks: Cultivation Assistant (Feb. 6-21); Extraction Technician (Feb. 27-March 14); Culinary Assistant (April 3-18); and Patient Services Associate (May 1-16).

The cost of the two-day core training session is \$595. Each career track program is \$799.

Register for the Cannabis Core Training class online at hcc.edu/cannabis-core.

More information on these and other upcoming classes and programs can be found on the Cannabis Education Center's website, cannabiseducation-center.org, or by calling 413-552-2320.

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