

Why get credentialed?

- A credential raises your credibility with your employer, community, and colleagues
- Credentialed individuals frequently receive increased pay and opportunities for promotions
- It shows dedication to the environmental health field
- Provides a commitment to staying current with the ever changing environmental health policies, regulations, and practices that affect the profession by requiring continuing education
- Impartial, third-party endorsement of an individual's professional knowledge and experience that serves as verification that you have achieved a baseline level of competency in your subject area
- Distinguishes you from others in your field
- Raises the visibility of the environmental health profession
- Demonstrates to your community that you are competent, properly trained, and equipped to carry out your duties



A Professional Credential from NEHA

Since 1937, NEHA has been leading the way for practitioners to achieve a set of defined competencies, evidenced through testing and maintained through continuing education. NEHA's long-

A credential helps one to prove competency and capability in a given field

standing history in credentialing means that our standards are high and that over 6,100 individuals with a NEHA credential have mastered a body of knowledge and acquired practical experience to perform relevant work responsibilities.

● **Registered Environmental Health Specialist/Registered Sanitarian (REHS/RS)**

- Individuals have the skill set to ensure that clean air, safe food, and potable water are met in a community as well as to manage other critical functions such as emergency response, vector control, sewage sanitation, hazardous material handling, and more.

● **Certified Professional – Food Safety (CP-FS)**

- For public and private sector individuals with prior food safety experience at the retail establishment level. Integrates food microbiology, HACCP principles, and regulatory requirements to validate problem solving and knowledge expertise using real-world examples.

● **Healthy Homes Specialist (HHS)**

- Individuals understand the connection between housing hazards and health, has demonstrated competency in these principles, and knows how to put them into practice in homes.

● **Certified in Comprehensive Food Safety (CCFS)**

- For more seasoned food safety professionals who aim to demonstrate expertise in the manufacturing and processing areas, whether in a regulatory/oversight role or in a food safety management or compliance position within the private sector.

● **Certified Installer of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (CIOWTS)**

- Individuals will be competent in understanding site development and installation, job staging, and plan assessment

For more information, please go to neha.org/credentials