The National Environmental Health Association

- Founded in 1937 as an association of Sanitarians seeking to standardize knowledge and skills for their field
- Developed the Registered Sanitarian credential, now known as Registered Environmental Health Specialist/Registered Sanitarian (REHS/RS)
Who Is NEHA?

The National Environmental Health Association

• Fast forward to 2016
  – Over 5000 members
  – Over 7000 credential holders
  – 12 credentials covering all areas of EH

• Multi-million dollar non-government organization with close working ties with CDC, FDA, DHS, EPA and USDA
Membership and Credentials

• Membership base
  – All levels of government
    • Heavy emphasis on local jurisdictions
    • Large number of federal employees
    • New credentials are expanding NEHA base to state level employees
  – All levels of industry
    • Third-party auditing, especially for retail food operations
    • Food Manufacturing

• Credential holder base
  – Federal, State, Local, Territorial and Tribal employees
  – Food Safety Managers
  – Auditors
  – Uniformed Services
Food Safety

Full Vertical

• Professional Food Handler
  – ANSI certified training program

• Professional Food Manager
  – Training for ANSI/CFP certification exam

• Certified Professional – Food Safety
  – Credential

• Certified in Comprehensive Food Safety
  – Credential

• Registered Environmental Health Professional
  – Credential

• Food Safety Auditor
  – Credential
Food Safety Auditor
- Developing under ISO/IEC 17024
- Designed to help build workforce capacity
- Checklist completion is capstone for Level II credential
Food Safety

Upcoming Certifications and Credentials

• Animal Feed Inspector
• Shellfish Plant Inspector
• Adult Learning Facilitator
• Legislative work to mandate minimum qualifications for EH professionals
Questions

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