

NEHA News for Affiliates, November 2019



RECOGNITION THROUGH AWARDS

NEHA Affiliates are encouraged to nominate deserving individuals, or teams, for the following award opportunities:

- ◆ **Walter S. Mangold Award:** NEHA's most prestigious honor recognizes individuals for outstanding contributions to the advancement of the environmental health professional. Nominations must be submitted to NEHA by *March 15, 2020*. The recipient will be honored at the [2020 Annual Educational Conference in New York City](#). The full nomination process is outlined [HERE](#).
- ◆ **Joe Beck Educational Contribution Award:** acknowledges a member, or team of members, or an outstanding educational contribution. [Apply online by March 15, 2020.](#)
- ◆ **InFORM John J. Guzewich Environmental Public Health Award:** for EH professionals with responsibility for response and management of foodborne illness outbreaks. Nomination deadline is *December 6, 2019*. The winner(s) will be honored at the Integrated Foodborne Outbreak Response and Management (InFORM) Conference— taking place March 9-12, 2020, in Atlanta, GA. This meeting will bring together laboratorians, epidemiologists, and environmental health specialists involved with foodborne and enteric disease outbreak response. Learn more [HERE](#).

Please keep an eye out for other [award opportunities](#) from NEHA, and our partner organizations, opening next year. Including the [Affiliate Certificates of Merit](#), which will open for nominations in January 2020.

Free “Is Your Water Safe?” Brochures

Request free copies of a professionally-printed tri-fold brochure that encourages well owners to test their water and follow best practices. [The Private Well Class Program](#) is planning a 3rd printing of the “Is Your Well Water Safe?” brochure they provided free to partners in 2018. They printed over 45,000 brochures in the first 2 printings and have distributed nearly all of them.

They have provided brochures to nearly 300 county and state health departments, labs, county extension offices, technical assistance providers, and other stakeholders. They are grateful for the tremendous response we have had for this program and are glad they are helpful in your efforts to support private well owners.

They have set up a site for you to request brochures. The brochures are completely free and there is a space for you to add your own label. They are available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#). They expect to have them mailed out in early January 2020.

[Request brochures for your organization.](#)

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Get Involved with the NEHA Blog

NEHA has recently added valuable new content to our [Day in the Life of an EH Professional Blog](#).

Two posts that we recommend reading:

[Environmental Health Matters Initiative Discussed PFAS](#)

[CEH Day 2019: The Importance of Protecting Children's Environmental Health](#)

We always recommend checking in regularly to read our Member Spotlight series, which highlights our diverse and hardworking members.

You can read the latest story in that series [HERE](#).

NEHA would love to post some blog stories featuring the great work of our affiliates! If you have a story to share, either about your individual work, or about the work that your affiliate is doing, please contact Jonna Ashley jashley@neha.org.



NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESMENT REPORTING SYSTEM FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

NEHA, with support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), is offering a new funding opportunity to support state, tribal, local or territorial governmental food safety agencies not yet participating in [NEARS](#). The purpose of the grant is to expand participation in NEARS, which is a surveillance system that captures environmental assessment data from foodborne illness outbreak investigations to improve your food safety program. Deadline to submit is **November 22, 2019**. Click [here](#) for additional details and to access the Request for Proposal.

UPDATED BODY ART MODEL CODE

NEHA has announced the release of the updated NEHA Body Art Model Code (BAMC).

The updated BAMC was created with input from environmental health and industry professionals, and addresses the ways body art impacts public health, both old and new. The BAMC is available for local and state agencies and other organizations to use as a resource to update their own body art codes and protect public health.

Visit the [NEHA Body Art page](#) to read the BAMC and for more information and other resources.

NEHA/AAS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION NOW OPEN

Undergraduate and graduate students who are enrolled in an accredited college or university, with a dedicated and recognized curriculum in EH sciences, are invited to apply for the 2020 NEHA/AAS Scholarship. There will be **two undergraduate** scholarships awarded for **\$2,250** each, and **one graduate** scholarship awarded for **\$2,500**.

Applications must be [completed online](#) by March 1, 2020.

Affiliate organizations are encouraged to help spread the word to your student members about this scholarship opportunity. More about the scholarship can be found [HERE](#).

APPLICATION PERIOD OPEN FOR THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH INTERNSHIPS

NEHA is pleased to announce that CDC is funding the [National Environmental Public Health Internship Program](#) to support 20 environmental health student internships during summer 2020. The application period is now open for students from EHAC-accredited undergraduate and graduate environmental health programs and health departments to host interns. **Deadline to submit is January 15.**