

PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

Dr. Herman Koren Authors New Books on Management Practices for Environmental Professionals

Dr. Herman Koren, MPH, HSD, DLAAS, REHS, long-time member of the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA), has coauthored a new two-volume set of books: *Management and Supervisory Practices for Environmental Professionals*. Now in its fourth edition, the two-volume set provides up-to-date information for newly promoted or management-aspiring professionals in the fields of environmental

health, occupational health and safety, water and wastewater treatment, and public health.

“Supervision and management positions are not about power. They are about helping people to carry out their assignments successfully. Only when we achieve a high level of cooperation between management and their staff will we become truly successful. Environmental health, occupational health and safety, and public health are not jobs or vocations—they are a calling to help people avoid and overcome disease and injury, and to protect our planet,” stated Dr. Koren.

The first volume explains the basic principles supervisors need to understand the structure of their organization, what leadership is, how to effectively plan and budget, how to manage other people, and best practices for achieving success in a management position. The second volume explains the advanced principles that supervisors need to understand the art of communications, how to resolve communications problems, and the supervisor/manager role in teaching, counseling, and managing employee performance, health, and safety. The set is also an excellent resource for students interested in learning management skills prior to entering the workforce.

The updated set offers a practical set of methods, tools, and techniques, all illustrated and easy to understand, for achieving leadership qualities. It provides concise and essential discussion material for each topic. The set also includes thorough updates and many new case problems with answers provided. Finally, the set introduces self-testing questions for different situations and practical exercises that utilize an individual’s own work experience for answers.

Each volume is eligible for up to 20 hours of self-reported continuing education contact hours to go toward a NEHA credential. The set is coauthored with Professor Alma Mary Anderson and was published in February 2021 by CRC Press.

Dr. Koren has 65 years of practical experience in the environmental and public health field. Over his career, he has been an environmental health practitioner, professor, researcher, consultant, and mentor. He is also the author of 22 books. Dr. Koren currently is a professor emeritus of health and safety at Indiana State University. He is also a member of the NEHA History Project Task Force and is lending his research and writing expertise to help write the living history of environmental health and NEHA. In 2005, Dr. Koren received the Walter S. Mangold Award, NEHA’s highest honor. He was recognized as a Diplomate Laureate of the American Academy of Sanitarians (AAS) in 2012—one of just 11 people to hold this recognition. He was also the recipient of the Davis Calvin Wagner Sanitarian Award from AAS in 2018.

Election of Dr. Charles Hart to Diplomate Laureate in the American Academy of Sanitarians

The American Academy of Sanitarians (AAS) is pleased to announce the election of Dr. Francis Charles Hart, PhD, CIH, CSP, RS, as its eleventh Diplomate Laureate. Dr. Hart began his career as a sanitarian with the Summit County Health Department in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. He went on to serve as health commissioner in Ashtabula County and had a long and successful career as environmental health and safety director and adjunct faculty at Ohio University, Case Western Reserve University, and Kent State University. Dr. Hart also served on numerous professional advisory boards and as a private consultant. He was recognized as a Diplomate in AAS in 1994.

Formed in 1966, AAS is an organization that elevates the standards, improves the practice, advances the professional proficiency, and promotes the highest levels of ethical conduct among professional sanitarians in every field of environmental health. Certification by AAS is open to individuals who have attained high professional stature through leadership and accomplishment in the field of environmental health and meet the criteria for selection as a Diplomate.

AAS created the certification of a Diplomate Laureate in 1999 to recognize Diplomates who have demonstrated exceptional professional growth, accomplishment, and leadership in the sanitarian profession. The Laureate must demonstrate longevity in the profession, in addition to meeting six additional criteria that include extraordinary accomplishments in the field of environmental health and the professional practice as a sanitarian. 🐾

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