

Certifications for Public Health Professionals - January 2021

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Accrediting Body	National Environmental Health Association (NEHA)	National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. (NCHEC)	Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology, Inc. (CBIC)	National Board of Public Health Examiners (NBPHE)	Esri	GIS Certification Institute (GISCI)	Health Level Seven International (HL7)	NEHA	SAS
Website	https://www.neha.org/professional-development/credentials/cfoi	https://www.nchech.org/ches	https://www.cbic.org/CBIC/cbic-certified-get-started.htm	https://www.nbphe.org/	https://www.esri.com/training/certification-find-exam/desktop/	https://www.gisci.org/	http://www.hl7.org/certification/	https://www.neha.org/professional-development/credentials/rehs-recredential	https://www.sas.com/en_us/certification.html#foundation-tools
Ideal Candidate	Individuals in environmental health, food safety, or a related field	Health education and promotion early career professionals	Infection prevention and control professional who has had at least two years of full-time experience in infection prevention and control.	Public health professionals	Individuals working with ArcGIS	Individuals with at least 4 years of geospatial experience	Professionals and Employers in the healthcare industry	Environmental Health professionals	Any professional working with SAS
Eligibility Criteria	Degree Track: Bachelor's degree, or equivalent, with 30 semester hours of science and a college level math class; AND Two years of experience in environmental health, food safety, or a related field "In-Training" Status: If you are applying under the degree track, but do not yet have the required work experience. You will have three (3) years to acquire the necessary experience. Experience Track: Bachelor's degree, or equivalent, with 5 years of experience; OR Associate's degree with 15 semester hours of science (one course must be microbiology) and 7 years of experience in environmental health, food safety, or a related field	A bachelor's, master's or doctoral degree from an accredited institution of higher education; AND one of the following: an official transcript (including course titles) that clearly shows a major in health education OR an official transcript that reflects at least 25 semester credits or 37 quarter hours of course work with specific preparation addressing the Seven Areas of Responsibility and Competency for Health Education Specialists.	Candidates are required to submit the following documentation with their application: Attestation Statement (completed, signed and dated by current supervisor) Proof of Degree (a diploma or transcripts) Current CV/Resume Official Job Description (must be signed by your immediate manager or supervisor)	Students or Alumni of CEPH accredited or CEPH applicant school OR Individuals who have at least a bachelor's degree and at least five subsequent years' public health work experience	Dependent on desired test. ArcGIS Desktop Entry: less than two-years of applied experience ArcGIS Desktop Associate: Qualified candidates should have two or more years of applied experience ArcGIS Desktop Professional: Qualified candidates should have four years of applied experience	The GISP Certification process can be started at any time in your career. However, by final GISP approval, applicants must have 4 years equivalent full-time geospatial experience and meet Portfolio Requirements (minimum point requirements in Education, Experience, and Contributions).	No prerequisites required, but strongly recommend completing their combination of courses, study resources, and practical experiences (varies by exam).	EH Degree Track: Bachelor's, Master's, or PhD in Environmental Health from EHAC institution. Bachelor's Track: Bachelor's, Master's, or PhD in any subject with 30 semester hours in basic science coursework, college math/statistics course, and 2 or more years experience in EH. "In Training" Track: Bachelor's, Master's, or PhD in any subject with 30 semester hours in basic science coursework, college math/statistics course. Must obtain 2 years of work experience within 3 years.	For base programming certification: Successful candidates should have experience in programming and data management using SAS®9.4 and should be able to: Read and create data files. Manipulate and transform data. Create basic detail and summary reports using Base SAS procedures. Identify and correct syntax and programming logic errors. Other exams available, requirements vary.
Exam Schedule	The CFOI exam is offered annually on paper at the NEHA Annual Educational Conference (AEC) & Exhibition or online at convenience	Bi-annual: October and April	The CIC® examination is offered by appointment at hundreds of Prometric testing sites continuously throughout the year.	The CPH computer-based exam is given all year round, in person or online.	Exam provided year-round and various test centers and online	Bi-annual: June and December	Throughout the year available both online and onsite	Annually at NEHA AEC & Exhibition, online at convenience, or onsite special arrangement (for >3 persons, \$350 fee unless at least 10 candidates)	Throughout the year, online and onsite
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Recertification Schedule	Submit a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education every two years; and submit renewal fees	Renewal annually, and recertify every 5 years Renewal requires paying the annual renewal fee. Recertification requires accruing a total of 75 continuing education contact hours by the end of the fifth year. It is recommended that CHES® accumulate a minimum of 15 hours each year	Recertify every 5 years, exam is offered online in web-based format. You can test on your own home computer and on your own schedule.	Submit your recertification application every two years after your certification date. Report at least 50 recertification credits every two years.	N/A	Recertify every three years by portfolio update only (no exam)	N/A	Earn and submit a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education every two years and submit renew fees	N/A Please note: Some exams may retire as new software is developed and/or enhanced.
Recertification Cost	Member Rate: \$130 Non-Member Rate: \$345	Renewal Fee: \$60, annual	\$375	\$95	N/A	Annual Fee: \$95	N/A	Members: \$130 Non-Members: \$345	N/A