

# CONSTITUTION

## NEW MEXICO ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION

2011 Revision

### ARTICLE I

**Section 1-** The name of this association shall be the New Mexico Environmental Health Association, hereinafter referred to as NMEHA or the Association in this Constitution and By-Laws. NMEHA is recognized by the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) as an Affiliate.

**Section 2-** NMEHA, a state, corporate, non-profit professional association, is incorporated under the laws of New Mexico. Said organization is organized exclusively for educational, and scientific purposes, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

### ARTICLE II

#### Objective of NMEHA

**Section 1-** The objectives of the association shall be:

- A. To provide training opportunities to maintain credentials
- B. To gain and maintain knowledge for certifications
- C. To market the field of Environmental Health to New Mexico partners
- D. To set professional standards (code of ethics)
- E. To provide networking opportunities locally and globally.
- F. To advocate for public health and environmental health policies
- G. To recognize the environmental health contributions of members

### ARTICLE III

**Section 1 -** There shall be one (1) class of membership with voting privileges, designated as Active, and three (3) classes of non-voting membership designated as Associate, Retired, and Honorary.

**Section 2-** The right to hold elective office and to chair standing committees shall be open to Active members only.

**Section 3-** Members serving as delegates or representatives to the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) must also be Active members of NEHA

### ARTICLE IV

**Section 1 -** The operational expenses of the Association shall be met from membership dues and from any other source approved by the Executive Board.

**Section 2 -** All funds received, handled and expended shall be accounted for as specified by the Executive Board. The financial records of all funds received, handled and

