



## REHS Program Update - July 2016

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### ***A Warm Thank You to All the Retired REHSs assisting in the San Bernardino Recovery***

The REHS Program along with CAEHA/CCDEH Coordinator Sheryl Baldwin and John Rogers (formerly of Sacramento County) wish to thank the 27 REHSs who came out of retirement to stand shoulder to shoulder with the San Bernardino Environmental Health Department as they recover from the devastating loss of members of our environmental health community. Ms. Baldwin successfully executed a contract to reimburse members of our REHS community for their assistance. Beginning in early March 2016 and continuing well into the next year, this team is working to manage the day to day operations of the environmental health programs.

### ***Registered Environmental Health Specialist Review Course and Study Material***

The California Environmental Health Association (CEHA) is hosting a webpage link to the Official Kimura Study Materials including the registration information for the newly revised REHS Review Course. To view the current schedule and price list, go to the CEHA webpage and click on the Continuing Education button in the top tool bar area. Scroll down midway and look for the Student Outreach and Advisory Program (SOAP). Or you can go to the online training course directly by following this link: <http://www.healthinspectorclass.com>.

The REHS Program would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Ms. Deepa Dillikar (MPH, REHS) and Yumi Kimura for spending their personal time in this endeavor.

### ***If my registration is currently in retired status and I wish to return to work, what information do I need to provide?***

You can switch your registration status at anytime during the 2-year renewal period. You must complete the 24 hours of continuing education before your registration status is changed. If you have already paid the retired fee for the two year renewal, you must submit an additional \$150 along with the 24 hours of continuing education.

### ***Continuing Education Opportunities***

If you need a few more hours of continuing education, check out the free, online National Pasteurized Egg training located at [www.safeeggs.com](http://www.safeeggs.com). You can earn up to 9 continuing education units. Click RDs & Health professionals, click in the green box marked "Free CE". The courses that include California REHS in the description are the ones that count toward the 24 required units.

NEHA is still offering online e-learning courses for a nominal fee to individuals who are non-members. Follow this link <http://www.neha.org/CEweb/CE.asp> then scroll down to where it says Attention California REHS to read about the e-learning courses. You can go to <http://www.nehacert.org/moodle/> for the free CDC and EPA courses through NEHA e-learning. Once you complete all the courses for one calendar year you will need to submit \$30 for a Certificate of Attendance which will include all of those courses.

### ***REHS Statistics as of July 1, 2016***

Active:	2596
Retired:	755
Applicants certified to become trainees	1862