



# New England Chapter Report for HPS Society Year 2016-2017

## General Information

**Official Year:** July - June

**Mailing Address:**

NECHPS, Inc.  
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**Dues Information:**

Full Member: \$20.00  
Associate: \$20.00  
Student: \$0.00  
Emeritus: \$0.00  
Life: n/a  
Affiliate: \$300.00  
Chapter Funds as of 1 May: Over \$10,000

**Charter Date:** March 1961

**Science Teacher Workshop?** no

**Collaboration with other societies?** yes

Collaborations: AIHA, ANS, CCHPS, AAPM, NERHC

**Website:** <http://www.nechps.org/>

## Chapter Leadership & Officers

**President:** Elizabeth Mohan

**President-elect:** Robert Puckett

**Secretary:** Steven Marsh

**Treasurer:** Jennifer O'Riorden (non-HPS)  
**Past President:** Michael Talmadge  
**Board Member:** Chris Martel  
**Board Member:** Ronald Reif  
**Board Member:** James Cherniack  
**Board Member:** Frank Krasin (non-HPS)  
**Board Member:** Jeff Raimondi (non-HPS)  
**Board Member:** Lindsay Morrissey

**Director Liaison:** Tara Medich

## Chapter Incorporation & Exempt Status

**Applied for Incorporation?** yes  
Incorporation granted: yes  
Incorporation state: Massachusetts

**Applied for an Employer Identification Number?** yes  
Applied to IRS for Tax Exemption? yes  
IRS tax exemption granted? yes  
Type of IRS tax exemption: 501(c)(3) / 509(a)(2)  
Tax Exemption application done by: professional assistance  
Professional assistance contract cost: (not indicated)

**Insurance?** no

**Willing to share IRS paperwork?** yes

## Chapter Membership & Certifications

**HPS Members:** 204  
**non-Members:** 90  
**Total:** 294

**ABHP Certified:** 69  
**NRRPT Certified:** 10

## Meetings/Activities: Meetings/Activities (Aug-16 to Jul-17)

**Oct '16 Meeting Topic:** LNT  
Type: Joint, Executive Council  
Speaker: Eric Abelquist  
Attendance: 60

**Dec '16 Meeting Topic:** Affiliates Appreciation

Type: Social  
Speaker: N/A  
Attendance: 50

**Jun '17 Meeting Topic:** Annual Meeting  
Type: Annual, Technical, Executive Council  
Speaker: See Meeting Program  
Attendance: 85

## Comments

In the last year the New England Chapter has changed its bylaws such that the Chapter year ends on June 30th each year to streamline tax filings as well as add language that allows that Treasurer and Secretary to act as assistants to each other so that either has the ability to act in either role when necessary. Additionally, a conflict of interest statement has been added to bylaws that applies to members of the Chapter's Executive Council and requires that potential conflicts be disclosed and establishes basic expectations regarding the conduct of the members of the Executive Council with regards to such conflicts. This latter addition to the bylaws followed the recommendations provided by an ad hoc committee that was created during the 2016-2017 Chapter year to review the Chapter's stance relating to conflicts of interest, which led to the drafting of the policy by the Chapter's ethics committee in collaboration with the Chapter's Executive Council, which then received the support, by way of a vote, of the Council members as well as Chapter Membership during our most recent Annual Business Meeting. The Chapter is now reaping the benefits of several improvements to the Chapter's operations aimed at improving business continuity, most of which have stemmed from incorporation during 2016. In general, we have found that incorporation has provided us with increased flexibility and control of Chapter resources. Interest persists among the Chapter in pursuing a future bid to host a HPS Annual Meeting in Boston, despite an earlier unsuccessful bid.

Chapter Information: The Chapter is incorporated in Massachusetts as the non-profit NECHPS, Inc. d.b.a as New England Chapter of the Health Physics Society. We have IRS tax exempt status under 501(c)(3) and are classified as a 509(a)(2) Public Charity by the IRS. We are able to accept donations as a tax exempt entity and provide donors with IRS compliant donation reports. We have secured the web addresses [nechps.org](http://nechps.org), [nechps.com](http://nechps.com) and [nechps.net](http://nechps.net). We have trademarked our logo and the letters "NECHPS". We have copyrighted NECHPS. All mail is still being directed to our PO Box 1404, Lowell, MA 01854.

This Chapter report was created on 7 July 2017 by Michael Talmadge.