



New England Chapter Report for HPS Society Year 2023-2024

General Information

Official Year: July - June

Mailing Address:

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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: William A Lorenzen

President-elect: Vacant

Secretary: Andrew Najjar

Treasurer: Alexis Day (non-HPS)
Past President: Nasser B Rashidifard
Board Member: Christopher Sain
Board Member: Cynthia Tozian
Board Member: Steve Snay (non-HPS)
Board Member: Nicholas Panzarino
Board Member: Steven Marsh
Board Member: Frederick F McWilliams

Director Liaison: Adela Salame-Alfie

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: 500

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-23 to Jul-24)

Oct '23 Meeting Topic: LNT
Type: Joint, Executive Council
Speaker: Eric Abelquist
Attendance: 60

Dec '23 Meeting Topic: Health Physicist and Radiation Incidents; How Can you Help

Type: Technical
Speaker: Angela Leek
Attendance: 50

Comments

The NECHPS stood down during COVID and is now in the process of re-engagement!!

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, nechps.com and 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 22 January 2024 by Frederick F McWilliams.