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Environmental Health
AT A QUICK GLANCE

UNCOVERING ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CREDENTIALS

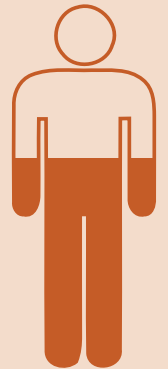
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Environmental Health Association (NEHA), and Baylor University have partnered on the Understanding the Needs, Challenges, Opportunities, Vision, and Emerging Roles in Environmental Health (UNCOVER EH) initiative. UNCOVER EH collected information from more than **1,700** environmental health professionals in health departments across the nation. UNCOVER EH seeks to assess and improve the profession and practice of environmental health. Learn more at www.neha.org/uncover-eh.

REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST

The Registered Environmental Health Specialist/Registered Sanitarian (REHS/RS) credential is the hallmark credential for the environmental health practice. Professionals holding this credential demonstrate proficiency in the latest environmental health issues and best practices. By maintaining their credential through continuing education, they enhance their skills to direct and train personnel to respond to routine or emergency environmental health situations and to educate communities on environmental health concerns. The REHS/RS credential can be acquired through NEHA or certain state health departments.

64%

Respondents who hold a REHS/RS credential

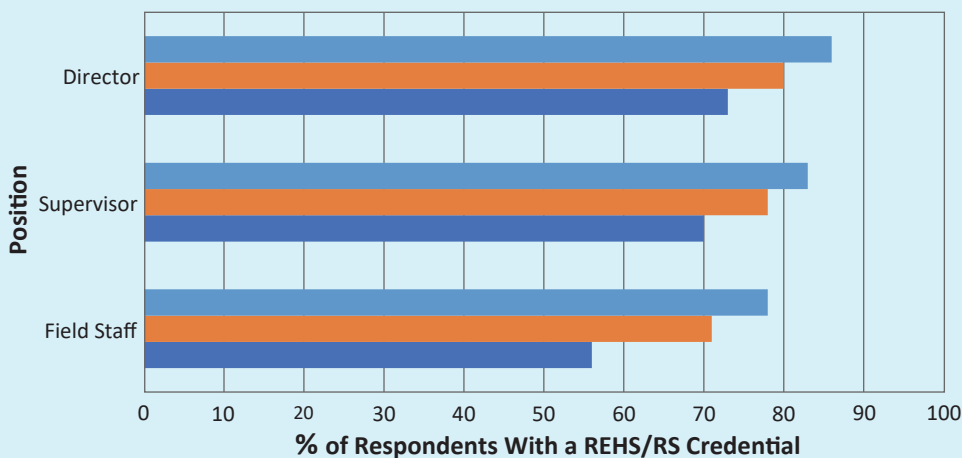


ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH POSITION TYPES

LOCAL LEVEL

Population Size Served

■ ≥500,000 ■ 100,000–499,999 ■ ≤99,999



The higher the population size served by environmental health professionals, the more likely it is that the professional will hold a REHS/RS credential.

STATE LEVEL

The percentage of respondents holding a REHS/RS credential varies by environmental health position types at the state level.



Field Staff

39%

hold a REHS/RS credential



Supervisor

28%

hold a REHS/RS credential



Director

55%

hold a REHS/RS credential

