

To be a resource for environmental health professionals and NEHA leadership dedicated to developing resources and programs, increasing workforce capacity, and fostering improved body art practices to protect public health.

NEHA's Body Art Committee is comprised of public and private sector experts working in partnership to provide outcomes in the following priority areas:

- < Development and updating of a Body Art Model Code (BAMC) and accompanying Annex that reflects best practices and standardized procedures to ensure public health and safety in the field of body art.
- < Development and identification of policy statements relating to the field of body art.
- < Identification of training gaps, needs of the profession, and emerging issues, and recommendations for addressing these and other issues.
- < Identification of best practices, successes, and challenges for environmental health professionals working in the field of body art.
- < Guidance, input, and participation in the development of NEHA's body art program and projects.
- < Promotion and dissemination of NEHA body art related materials and resources.
- < Ongoing collaboration with organizations interested in ensuring best practices and safety in the field of body art.

Members should work together to identify goals regarding the BAMC, the BAMC Annex, body art policy statements, and other resources identified in protecting public health in the field of body art.

All committee Members must be NEHA members in good standing. Anyone showing interest in becoming part of the committee should contact bodyart@neha.org. The membership application period is open annually during the month of September. The NEHA staff Representatives and Co-Chairs of the committee will review applications and a NEHA Representative will subsequently inform the applicant of the decision.

An example of a committee member application can be found [here](#).

- Members must participate in at least 1 sub-committee during the Body Art Model Code (BAMC) update process, which occurs every three years.
- Sub-committees meet once a month for roughly six months of the update process.

