California Society for Healthcare Engineering, Inc. (CSHE)

Benefits of CSHE and Application
The California Society for Healthcare Engineering (CSHE) is a professional society representing more than 1200 individuals who are actively employed in the field of health care engineering in California.

CSHE began with a regional chapter in San Francisco founded in 1956. CSHE is the California Chapter of the American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE), which represents health care engineers nationally.

**History**

CSHE has grown from a regional chapter to a statewide entity. Since 1970, CSHE has incorporated as a statewide entity and grown to 11 active chapters throughout California.

**Board of Directors**

The CSHE Board of Directors meets quarterly to conduct the business of the society. Each chapter has a representative on the CSHE Board. CSHE has established committees to review bylaws, codes, educational opportunities, finances, membership and publications. The California Hospital Association (CHA) recommends appointments to the Hospital Building Safety Board and the California Building Standards Commission Committee in consultation with CSHE.

**Benefits**

CSHE offers a website and bulletin to assist engineers with key health care issues. The website also posts important publications. Annually since 1971, the CSHE Annual Institute has been held in various cities throughout California. CSHE members are eligible to participate in the Mechanic Evaluation and Certification (MECH) Program, which offers health care mechanics the opportunity to become certified. Chapter meetings allow an excellent opportunity for your peers. Through its affiliation with the California Hospital Association (CHA), CSHE members play a role in formulating regulatory and legislative policy affecting health care engineering. Another benefit is monthly educational facility webinars for hospital engineers.

**CSHE Meets The Need**

The operational cost of a health care facility is related to its environment and equipment, which are the responsibility of plant engineering personnel. Health care engineering personnel have a personal responsibility to advance skills, awareness and knowledge to maintain a proper level of effectiveness and efficiency for optimal patient care. CSHE provides members opportunities to learn, network and exchange ideas to keep abreast of operational disciplines through local chapter meetings, the Annual Institute, e-mails, eBulletins and seminars. We invite you to join CSHE, a progressive professional educational society.

**CSHE Mission**

To serve as a resource for the personal and professional development of members, so that they are the best in the health care environment and qualified to address the unique needs of health care organizations.

**CSHE Vision Statement**

To be the preferred professional organization for the health care environment in California.
Facility Member ($50 Annually)
Facility designation is for an individual whose principal employment is directly related to hospital engineering or a related discipline in a health care facility or health care system. Each member shall have one vote, may be appointed to committees and elected to any chapter or state office.

Affiliate ($150 Annually)
Affiliate designation for an individual who provides a consultative or advisory service to health care facilities. This category includes architect, consulting engineer, independent consultant, inspector of record, construction manager and employee of state agencies such as OSHPD, Fire Marshal’s Office and OSHA. Affiliates may be appointed to committees and elected to the chapter secretary office.

OR

Affiliate designation is for an individual who provides a product or equipment to health care facilities. This category could include distributors or original equipment manufacturers. Affiliates may be appointed to committees and elected to the chapter secretary office.

Retired Facility Member
($25 – Retired Facility Member) or ($75 – Retired Affiliate)
Retired designation is for a retiree who wishes to continue his/her association with CSHE and have been with CSHE a minimum of ten years. Each retired facility member shall have one vote, and may be appointed to committees and elected to any chapter or state office for which their category is eligible.

Student ($20 Annually)
Student designation is for an individual whose educational pursuit is directly related to hospital engineering or a related discipline. Each student may be appointed to a chapter committee, but may not vote or hold any office.
**Application**  (categories are defined on the reverse)

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**Briefly describe your present duties:**

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**List areas of special interest/expertise relative to facilities management, health facilities and/or environmental issues:**

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**Are you a member of the American Society for Hospital Engineering (ASHE)?**

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

**Please indicate your chapter preference:**

(please select only one chapter; note that you may attend any chapter meeting)

- [ ] Central Coastal
- [ ] Central Valley
- [ ] Inland
- [ ] Kings River
- [ ] Los Angeles
- [ ] Northeastern
- [ ] Orange County
- [ ] Redwood
- [ ] San Diego
- [ ] San Francisco
- [ ] South Bay Counties

**Please indicate category for which you are applying:**  (categories are defined on the reverse)

- [ ] Facility – $50/year
- [ ] Retired Facility – $25/year
- [ ] Affiliate – $150/year
- [ ] Retired Affiliate – $75/year
- [ ] Student – $20/year

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