

AN INVITATION TO QUALIFY AS A

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CERTIFIED HEALTHCARE MECHANIC

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MECHANIC EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION FOR HEALTHCARE



AND

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY FOR HEALTHCARE ENGINEERING, INC.



Not-for-profit organizations dedicated to better patient care through quality education

PURPOSE

The California Society for Healthcare Engineering has teamed up with a nationally recognized program called "Mechanic Education and Certification for Healthcare (MECH)." This program will provide:

- ◆ Methods and standards for hiring;
- ◆ A validated Entry Level Test;
- ◆ A program to improve Healthcare Mechanic's knowledge, skill and professionalism;
- ◆ Nationally recognized certifications for Healthcare Mechanics;
- ◆ Continuing education;

- ◆ Annual Scholarships;
- ◆ Alignment with Joint Commission (JCAHO) Environment of Care "EC" standards — *"Processes are designed to insure that the competence of all staff members is assessed, maintained, demonstrated, and improved on an ongoing basis."* And that *"each employee is expected to perform in a competent manner."*

MEMBERSHIP

If you are a member of CSHE, you may pay at the member rate. If you have questions about membership, please contact the CSHE State office at (916) 552-7639.

TESTING

An individual currently employed as a Healthcare Mechanic with the appropriate years of documented experience may have the skills and ability to become certified. **It is mandatory that years of experience be an integral part of certification.**

Certification testing is scheduled at various test sites throughout California. Special testing accommodations can be arranged through the State Office. Orders for tests must be received at the CSHE office **one month** prior to scheduled test date. Contact CSHE (916) 552-7639 for details.

BENEFITS

- ◆ Providing quality patient care and efficiency by equipping in-house staff with broad-based skills and knowledge.
- ◆ Increasing professional recognition for Healthcare Mechanics.
- ◆ Generating efficiency in the Engineering Department.
- ◆ Realizing increased productivity and potential reductions in contracted service costs for the institutes.
- ◆ Equipping Human Resource Departments with a time saving hiring system.

CURRICULUM

The Curriculum/Job and Task Analysis were developed by some of the top Healthcare Mechanics in our industry. Job Descriptions and Test Data are derived from the Job and Task Analysis and are based on an individual's knowledge and skill in the following categories:

- ◆ Plumbing and Pipe Fitting
- ◆ Carpentry
- ◆ General Facility Maintenance
- ◆ Electrical and Electronics
- ◆ HVAC/R
- ◆ Boiler Power Plant
- ◆ Grounds
- ◆ Safety and Support Services

PREPARATION

Study Guides and Sample Test Questions are available. The Study Guide provides trouble-shooting examples, suggested reference materials and questions similar to those found on the tests.

What People Are Saying...

ENDORSEMENTS

This certification program will open many doors of opportunity for men and women to increase their base of formal education simultaneously with "hands-on experience."

Carl Budde, Past President ASHE
V.P. Construction & Facility Management
Waukesha Memorial Hospital
Waukesha, WI

There has long been a need for an objective rating system for healthcare mechanics. The MECH Certification program has addressed this need very effectively.

Roy Agle, FASHE
Bay Medical Center
Bay City, MI

A quality program developed by Healthcare Mechanics for Healthcare Mechanics that I highly recommend.

Steve Perez, Lead Maintenance Tech
St. Mary's Hospital
Grand Rapids, MI

*The MECH Certification Program represents the future for healthcare engineering. Healthcare engineers must find a **method of distinguishing themselves** from the other engineering specialties. Are the healthcare engineer's skills, knowledge and abilities different from building maintenance mechanics? Yes, and MECH Certification will allow us to demonstrate that difference.*

Tony Moddesette, Manager
Plant Operations & Maintenance
UC Davis Medical Center
Sacramento, CAI

The amount of research and diligent work for this program has been outstanding.

Pauline A. Nielson, Board Member
Leelanaw Memorial Hospital
Northport, MI

The Michigan Hospital Association Service Corporation supports the efforts of MECH in promoting the certification of Healthcare Mechanics as we move toward total quality management.

Bruce Marsh, PE, Sr. Consultant
MHA Service Corporation

ORDER FORM

NAME	FACILITY		
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
PHONE NUMBER*	E-MAIL ADDRESS		
DEPARTMENT MANAGER	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OF CANDIDATE		

PLEASE COMPLETE MY ORDER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Quantity	Item (Prices subject to Change)
_____	Certified Mechanic Test Member: \$95.00 Non-member: \$145.00
_____	Sr. Certified Mechanic Test Member: \$95.00 Non-Member: \$115.00
_____	Study Guide Member: \$51.00 Non-Member: \$58.00
_____	TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED

* **All requests to take either test must include a letter from the Department Manager documenting years of experience as a Healthcare Mechanic for each applicant.** All requests must be received in the CSHE office one month prior to scheduled examination date.

2 years for Certified Mechanic
4 years for Senior Certified Mechanic

PLEASE ENCLOSE CHECK PAYABLE TO:

CSHE
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