

2026 OEHA Annual Education Conference Agenda

4/16/2026		SESSION TITLE	SPEAKER	ROOM
7:30 – 8:15		Registration		
8:15 – 8:20		VP Welcome	Zoe Tyler, REHSIT	Northpointe Ballroom
8:20 – 8:25		President’s Address	Courtney Myers, MPH, REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
8:25 – 8:40		OEHA Business Session	Courtney Myers, MPH, REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
8:40 – 9:40	General	Conflict De-escalation	Alicia Love, MPH REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
	REHSIT	REHS Credential and Test Information	Stephanie Youst, REHS & Garrett Guillozet, MPA REHS	Hickory 2
9:40 – 9:50	ROOM CHANGE			
9:50 -10:50 Concurrent Sessions	Food	Embargo, Cease Use, & Voluntary Destruction	Jason Ahrens, REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
	Solid Waste	Promoting Sustainability in Environmental Health	Danna Lotz, Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO)	Cypress 2
	Pool/Spa	Fixing the Problem Pool- From a Health Inspector's Perspective	Tom Fink, REHS & Megan Mementowski, REHS	Cypress 3
	REHSIT	Environmental Risk Assessment and Toxicology	Dr. Paul Rosile, PhD MPH REHS	Hickory 2
10:50 – 11:00	ROOM CHANGE			
11:00 – 12:00 Concurrent Sessions	Leadership	Leadership Panel– Characteristics to Build and Look for in Potential Future Leaders in our Field.	Chad Brown, MPH REHS; Renee Dickman, MS; Courtney Myers, MPH REHS; Chris Cook, REHS; & Eric Cherry, MPH REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
	Vector/Pesticide	Reducing Risk when Using Rodent Control Products	Ernest Schoonover	Cypress 2
	Food	Microbrewing of Alcoholic Beverages	Jason Ahrens, REHS	Cypress 3
	REHSIT	Environmental Policy and Law	Carrie Yeager, MPH REHS	Hickory 2
12:00 – 1:00	Buffet Lunch			Northpointe Ballroom
12:30 – 12:50	Awards and GE Scholarship		Gus Dria REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
12:50-1:10	NEHA Updates			Northpointe Ballroom
1:10 – 1:40	Legislative Update		Courtney Myers, MPH, REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
1:00 -1:50	REHSIT	Diseases of Environmental Cause	Luke Jacobs, MPH REHS	Hickory 2
1:40 – 1:50	Break			
1:50 – 2:50	General	State-to-State Differences in Environmental Code	Vivian Zeng, MPH REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
	REHSIT	Epidemiology	Chloe Brown, MPH REHS	Hickory 2
2:50 – 3:00	ROOM CHANGE			
3:00 – 4:00 Concurrent Sessions	Body Art/Tattoo	Sanitation Practices/Procedures in Body Art Facility	Kevin Barlow, RN REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
	Emergency Preparedness	2025 NATO Parliamentary Assembly	Jennifer Wentzel, MPH REHS	Cypress 2
	Food	Liquor Control Compliance and Food Service Requirements	Shaun Powers & Teddy Conn	Cypress 3
	REHSIT	Wastewater	Colt Tennant, REHS & Madeline Dyer, REHS	Hickory 2
4:00 – 4:10	ROOM CHANGE			
4:10 – 5:10 Concurrent Sessions	Leadership	Establishing Successful Teams	Luke Jacobs, MPH REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
	Body Art/Tattoo	Ink and Pigment in Body Art	Sarah Bandenhop, MPH REHS	Cypress 2
	Vector/Pesticide	MCG and GIS Utilized for Mosquito Surveillance.	Natalie Menke, REHS	Cypress 3
	REHSIT	Build Environments	Tom Fink, REHS & Megan Mementowski, REHS	Hickory 2

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7:45 – 8:30	Registration			
8:30 – 8:35	OEHA VP Follow-up		Zoe Tyler, REHSIT	Northpointe Ballroom
8:35 – 9:35	General	Communication, Behavior and Trust: Understanding the Intersection	Amelia Greiner Safi, PhD MS	Northpointe Ballroom
	REHSIT	Water	Tom Weigand, REHS & Alexander Kimball, REHS	Hickory 2
9:35 – 9:45	ROOM CHANGE			
9:45 – 10:45 Concurrent Sessions	Pool/Spa	Beyond Inspections- Value-Added Trainings and Handouts for Pool Operators	Shannon Self, REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
	Vector	From Bite to Insight: How Tick Testing Strengthens Public Health Surveillance	Risa Pesapane, PhD	Cypress 2
	Water	Clean Water Ashtabula County Grant: How You Can Replicate at your HD	Randall Barnes, REHS	Cypress 3
	REHSIT	Food Safety for EHS Part I	Ryan Peltier, REHS	Hickory 2
10:45 – 10:55	ROOM CHANGE			
10:55 – 11:55 Concurrent Sessions	Leadership	Conflict or Cooperation? It's Up to You!	Suzanne Hrusch, REHS & Kevin Brennan, REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
	Water/Technology/Solid Waste	Modernizing a Water Well and Septic Program	Scott Morris, REHS	Cypress 2
	Tattoo	Modern Day Tattooing and the Future of the Industry	Mathew and Elizabeth Franklin	Cypress 3
	REHSIT	Food Safety for EHS Part II	Reagan Townsend, REHS & Amelia Soergel, REHS	Hickory 2
11:55 – 1:00	Buffet Lunch, Wrap Up Awards, Close of Business, Voting Results, Raffle Prizes & Visit Exhibitors			Northpointe Ballroom
1:00 – 1:10	ROOM CHANGE			
1:10 – 2:10 Concurrent Session	Water	From Septic Service to Public Service.	William Duck, REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
	Leadership	Always Remember Your Michael Charlie - Advanced Leadership	Mark Adams, MPH REHS	Cypress 2
	Food	Food Safety Violation Data Review to Help Evaluate LCHD Enhanced Enforcement Program	Traven Wood, MS REHS	Cypress 3
	REHSIT	Solid and Hazardous Waste	Chuck Dejonckheere, REHS	Hickory 2
2:10 – 2:20	ROOM CHANGE			
2:20 – 3:20 Concurrent Session	Food	Public Health Behind the Scenes: Inspecting Lost Lands Music Festival for 40,000 Attendees.	Grace Irvine, REHS & Alexander Kimball, REHS	Northpointe Ballroom
	Vector	ODH Mosquito Tracking Update	Leeanne Garrett, MPH-VPH	Cypress 2
	General	Asbestos	Wayne Ingram	Cypress 3
	REHSIT	Vectors	Colton Masters, REHS	Hickory 2
3:20 – 3:30	ROOM CHANGE			
3:30 – 4:30	Solid Waste	Talking Trash- Ohio Waste Characterization Study	Lindsey Grimm	Northpointe Ballroom
	REHSIT	Occupational Health and Air Quality	Luke Jacobs, REHS	Hickory 2
4:30 – 4:45		Closing remarks	Zoe Tyler, REHSIT	Northpointe Ballroom