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I have been a proud member of AHE since 2003. That's the same year I was certified as a CHESP; I took the test at the annual AHE conference in Philadelphia. It was tough to have to wait weeks to get the results!

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My supervisor at the time told me about this great organization that he wanted to be part of, and then received a save the date card in the mail for the conference in Philadelphia. I decided that day I wanted to attend the conference, and after doing research I also decided that I needed to become CHESP-certified.

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I ordered the study guide from AHE and took the sample tests. I also signed up for a class that was offered at the conference prior to the test, which helped me tremendously. In 2003 we did not have the resources that are available today.