





# What is THEA?

- **The Tennessee Healthcare Engineering Association began as The Tennessee Hospital Engineers Association and founded in 1958 by Dan Roope for the betterment of healthcare facility management.**
- **The Dan Roope Award is given to members in recognition of outstanding service to THEA and the healthcare field nominated by their peers and with the approval of the board.**
- **The original group consisted of a few healthcare engineers and directors in the Memphis area and later spread across Tennessee with 3 separate chapters in West, Middle, & East TN.**
- **Today, the 3 former chapters are one group with 286 members including associate vendor members, and the name was changed to reflect the diverse type of members and align with ASHE.**
- **THEA is an Affiliate Member of the Tennessee Hospital Association and is the Tennessee Chapter Affiliate of ASHE with 8 straight years as a Platinum Chapter, meeting the strict Platinum level requirements.**



# Who Should Join THEA?

**THEA members include:**

- ✓ **Facility Directors including corporate positions for all types of healthcare facilities.**
- ✓ **Small and rural Facility Directors, Managers, and Supervisors.**
- ✓ **Multi-facility and multi-department management**
- ✓ **Boots on the ground healthcare facility maintenance workers in all trades.**
- ✓ **Vendors providing all types of healthcare facility service & products.**
- ✓ **Infection Control, Safety, and Compliance Officers.**



# Who Should Join THEA? (cont.)

- ✓ **Nursing home and assisted living management.**
- ✓ **Freestanding outpatient services management.**
- ✓ **Biomed.**
- ✓ **Security.**
- ✓ **Architects & Engineers.**
- ✓ **Basically, anyone who works in a healthcare environment responsible for the safety of patients, staff, and visitors along with vendors that support the facility management field.**



# Why Join THEA?

- ✓ **ASHE approved CECs for attending educational sessions provided by top level speakers. These can be used for AHA Certification renewals like CHFM and CHC.**
- ✓ **Low annual fees.**
- ✓ **Free annual THEA conference registration, hotel room, meeting meals and evening activities for healthcare members.**
- ✓ **Networking opportunities with peers and vendor professionals. Got a question or need anything, just reach out to our members.**
- ✓ **Vendor member contact info for everyday and emergency services & products. They may not be needed today but may need them tomorrow!**
- ✓ **Healthcare member contact info for vendor introductions.**



# How Do I Join THEA?

**Use the registration link below, click Online Affiliate Application, sign in or create account, choose Tennessee Healthcare Engineering Association, and the type of associate membership that fits your occupation.**



# Questions?

Email: [membership@tennashe.org](mailto:membership@tennashe.org)



**Thank you for your time and hope you will receive a welcome to THEA email soon and see you at our 2026 Conference & Expo June 1-3, 2026, at the Renaissance Shoals Resort and Spa in Florence Alabama on the Tennessee River at the Wilson Dam.**





*That's all Folks!*