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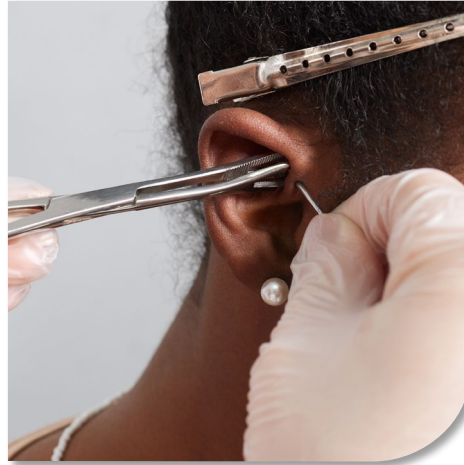
## **How to Build a Body Art Program**

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# Body Art Addressed in our Body Art Model Code (BAMC)



- Body Piercing
- Tattooing
  - Cosmetic Tattooing
- Branding
- Scarification





# Key Components for an Effective Body Art Program



**Sound Regulations**



**Knowledgeable  
Inspectors**

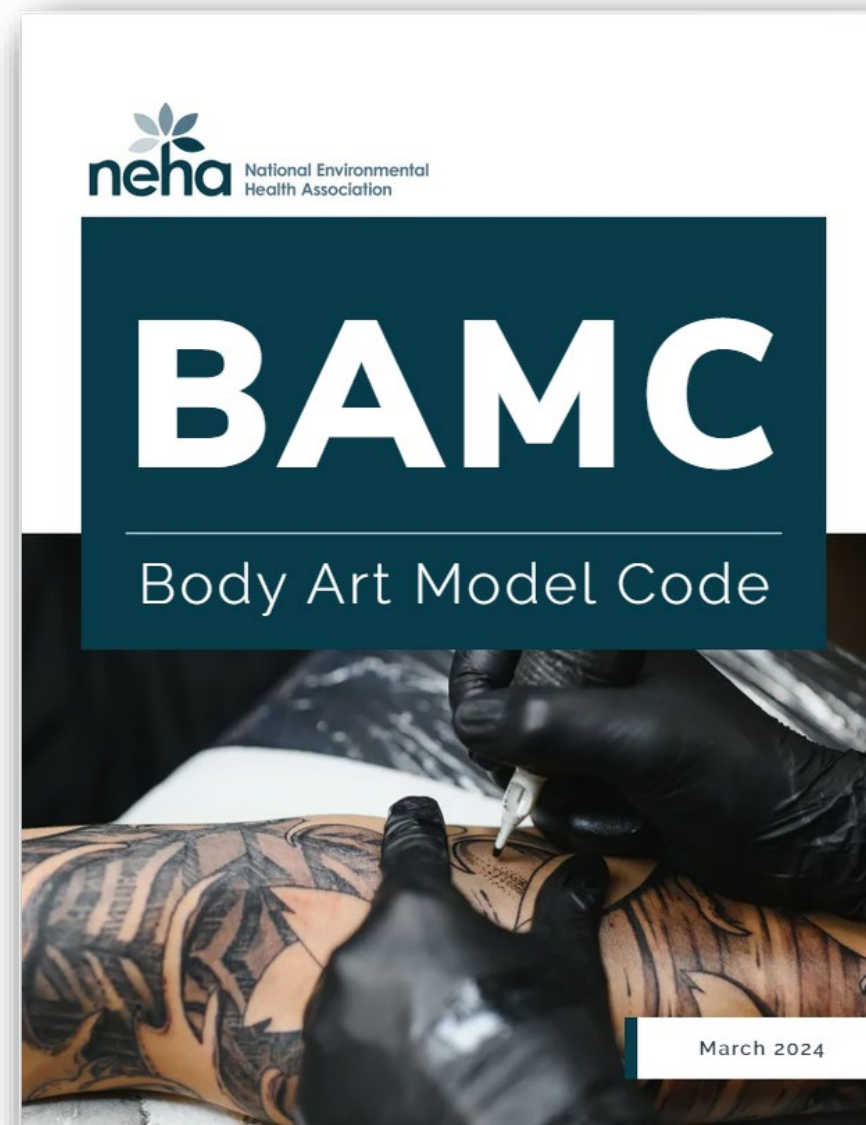


**Industry Partnerships**



# Sound Regulations

- Body Art Model Code
  - Created with input from EH and industry professionals
- Annex to the Body Art Model Code
  - Scientific rationale and support for Code requirements





# BAMC Update Process

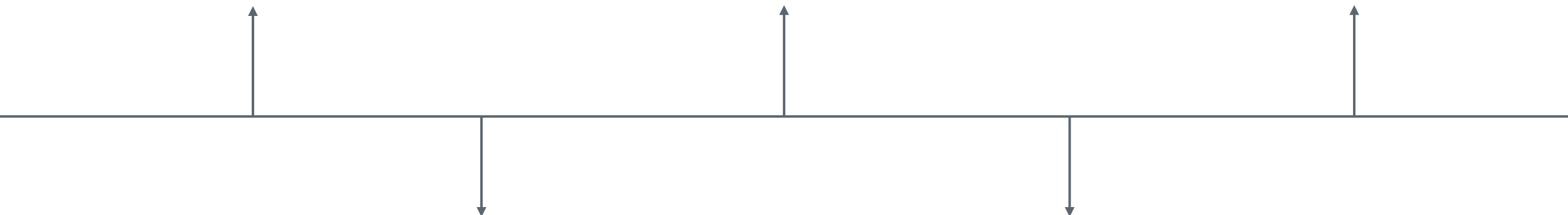
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Updated BAMC  
Released

Body Art Committee  
Reviewed Change Requests

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# BAMC Review Structure

1. Change request **submitted**
2. Change request reviewed by **subcommittee**
  - Subcommittee discusses and provides recommendation
3. Change request reviewed by **BAC**
  - BAC discusses and votes on final decision
4. Change request review is **complete**





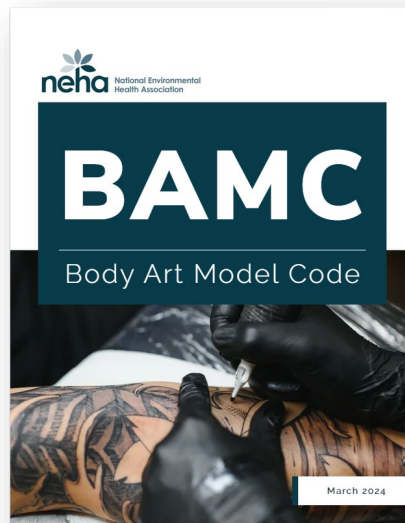
# Major Updates to the 2024 BAMC

- Definitions
- Cosmetic Tattooing
- Regulated Waste
- Documentation Requirements
- Requirements for Premises





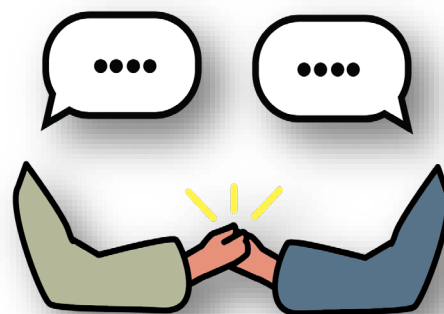
# BAMC Resources



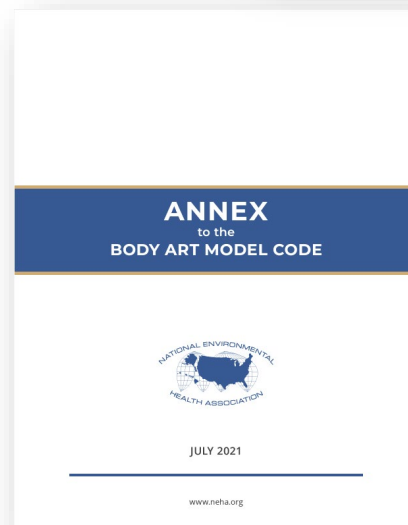
## Policy Statement on Body Art

*Adopted: November 2021*

*Policy Sunset: November 2026*



NEHA Body Art Committee







# Knowledgeable Inspectors







# Inspector Resources



## Body Art Webinar Series







# Body Art Facility Inspector Training (BAFIT)

- Infection control
- Risk-based facility inspection simulation
- In-person equipment demonstrations
- BAMC body art procedures
- Communication





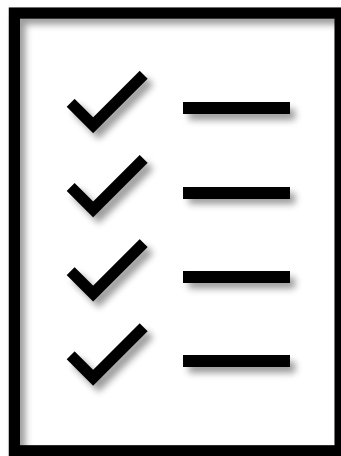
# Industry Partnerships

- Industry organizations
- Community engagement
- NEHA Body Art Committee
  - Multiple perspectives
  - Common terminology
  - Current events





# Partnering with Industry Professionals



Body Art Model Code Adoption Toolkit | Talking with Industry

**Talking with Industry**



APP | APT | SPCP







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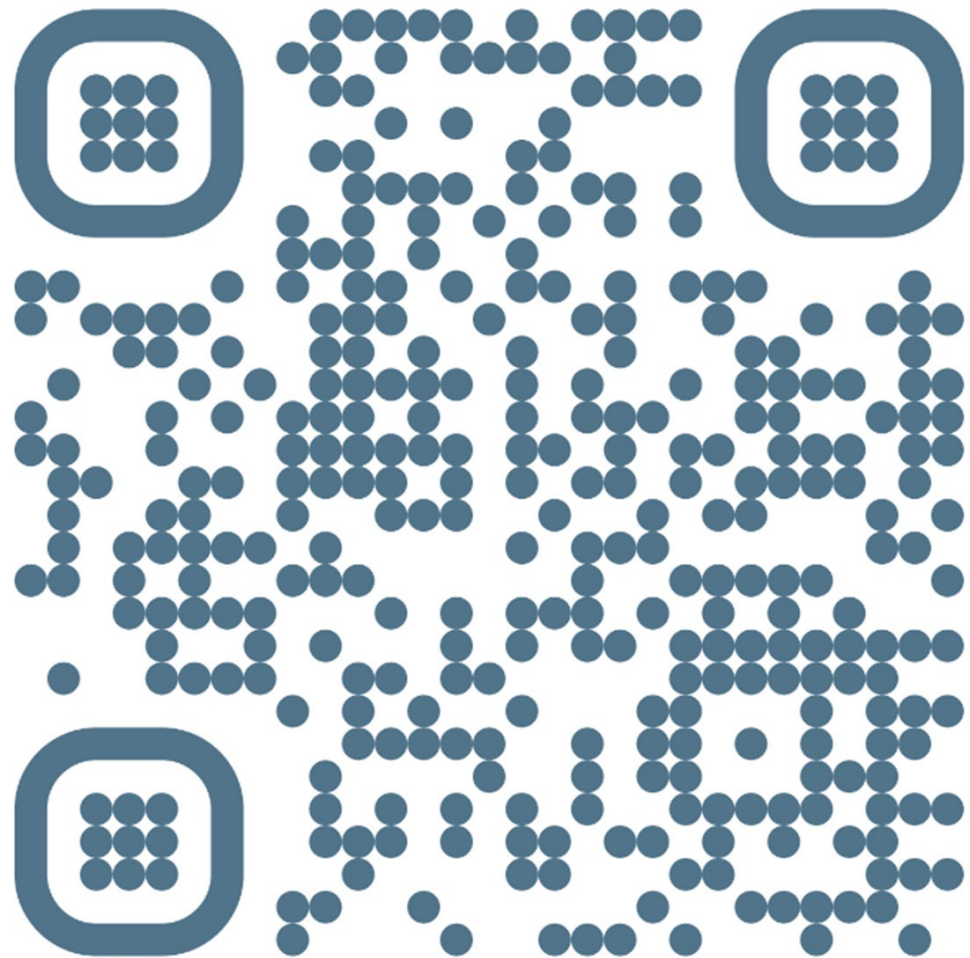
# Getting Involved







# Body Art Newsletter Sign-Up



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