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2027 Laboratory Operations Symposium
Current Issues Impacting Drinking Water Laboratories

CALL FOR PAPERS

The New England Water Works Association and its Laboratory Operations Committee are seeking presentations for the 2027 Laboratory Operations Symposium. The symposium will be held on Wednesday, March 10, 2027, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the New England Water Works Association headquarters at 125 Hopping Brook Rd. in Holliston, MA.

Over the years the Symposium has focused on a variety of issues and successes of drinking water laboratories in New England including new technologies, laboratory modernization, preparing for regulatory updates & inspections, quality control & quality assurance, source water monitoring, & emergency response and succession planning. While we have learned a lot, we are still facing many of the same challenges today.

For this year's symposium we are soliciting abstracts that focus on case studies, new technologies, and QA/QC methods that can benefit drinking water laboratories throughout New England. Suggested abstracts include research and case studies that address topics like:

- Cutting-edge technologies used for drinking or source water monitoring
- Details of daily quality assurance/quality control measures to benefit newcomers to the lab
- LIMS implementation success stories
- Source water monitoring & how laboratories respond to unexpected events such as:
    - Taste & Odor Algae
    - Low dissolved oxygen &Iron and Manganese increases in water treatment plants
    - Sudden changes in water quality due to extreme weather events
- Recent case studies of laboratory renovations
- Laboratory asset management
- Implementation of Artificial Intelligence into the lab
- Laboratory succession planning & workforce development

The abstract submittal deadline is **December 10, 2026**. Abstracts should be 150 words or less. Please provide contact information for the presenting author and/or primary person to contact regarding your abstract.

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How to Submit an Abstract

To submit an abstract, scan the QR code below or click the URL to submit an abstract via NEWWA's abstract submission portal, powered by OpenWater. All users will create an account to use the portal. If you have questions, please contact Mary Quigley at mquigley@newwa.org or 508-893-7979 x224.

Thank you for your interest in the NEWWA Laboratory Operations Symposium

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URL: https://newwa.secure-platform.com/site/solicitations/102066/home

Speaker & Moderator Fees & Expenses

For in-person symposia, complimentary registration will be provided to one speaker per presentation. Additional speakers will receive the member-discounted registration rate. Committee members who are attending and moderators will be offered 50 percent off the member-discounted registration rate.