

## Faculty Biography

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### **Kenneth Monroe, PE, MBA, CHC, PMP**

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Kenneth Monroe, PE, MBA, CHC, PMP, is the Director of Engineering in the Standards Interpretation Group (SIG) at The Joint Commission. The Joint Commission (TJC) certifies or deems healthcare organizations for safe operations. Mr. Monroe directs the group that interfaces with internal and external customers, responding to questions on TJC's Life Safety (LS), Environment of Care (EC) and Emergency Management (EM) Chapters and how these chapters interface with their corresponding National Fire Prevention Associate (NFPA) codes and government regulations.

Previously, Mr. Monroe served as an Associate Project Director in The Joint Commission's department of standards and survey methods, where he was responsible for the maintenance, updates and improvements to Life Safety (LS) and Environment of Care (EC) standards, as well as assisting on Emergency Management (EM) standards, which included workplace safety issues.

Monroe has more than 25 years' experience in health care, having worked as a seasoned, problem solving, results-oriented health care facilities professional. He has directed all sides of health care facilities, from planning and design to construction and operations. Monroe has implemented a facility master plan for a \$450 million, 305-bed hospital, and he has been a facility director at a 1.3-million-square-foot health care facility. He has worked as a design team leader and general contractor, as well as program/project manager/director.

Additionally, Monroe has been a member of the American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE) faculty and taught project management at the graduate school level. He has been a member of PMI for about 10 years. He earned his PMP in December, 2015.

Monroe earned his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Northwestern University, as well as a Master of Business Administration degree from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. He is a registered Professional Engineer (PE), a Certified Healthcare Constructor (CHC) and a Project Management Professional (PMP).

His hobbies include his three Corvettes.