

April 29, 2015

## ANSI Congressional Standards Update

*ANSI Congressional Standards Update* is a monthly, electronic newsletter produced and distributed free of charge to members of Congress and their staff by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). For a complete listing of ANSI news and events, please visit our website, [ANSI Online >>>](#).

---

### HEADLINES

Get caught up on the latest news from ANSI...

#### [ANSI Signs MoU with SCC Formalizing Cooperation in Regional and International Standardization](#)

Recognizing the importance of bilateral cooperation in standards and conformance initiatives, ANSI has signed a memorandum of understanding with the Standards Council of Canada (SCC) intended to support North American positioning in the global market.

#### [Federal Career Pathways Report Highlights ANSI's Role in Quality Credentialing](#)

The report highlights ANSI's role as an accreditor of personnel certification bodies and certificate issuers, ensuring that credentials are valuable to the employees and employers.

#### [ANSI Holds 12th Workshop under USTDA-Sponsored U.S.-China SCCP, Announces Plans for Next Two](#)

Part of an initiative sponsored by the U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA), the latest Beijing workshop highlighted environment protection in shale gas development.

#### [China's State Council Announces Plan for Standardization Reform](#)

The State Council of the People's Republic of China issued the "Notice of the State Council on Distribution of the Reform Plan for Deepening Standardization" last month.

#### [ANSI Launches Redesigned Standards Portal Website](#)

The updated user-friendly site, at [www.standardsportal.org](http://www.standardsportal.org), features a new interface with free access to standards-related trade resources.

#### [ANSI and ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board to Host Free Webinar in Celebration of World Accreditation Day 2015](#)

This year's celebration focuses on the theme of "Accreditation: Supporting the Delivery of Health and Social Care."

#### [Draft Agenda Released for ANSI's Spring Organizational Meeting Forum](#)

The meeting will be held at the headquarters of ANSI member AAMI in Arlington, VA, on May 6, 2015.

#### [Did You Know?](#)

*Did You Know?* offers a quick look at the broad scope of activities underway within the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Federation of members and partners, highlighting recent accomplishments and new resources related to standardization. In this issue: SPLC, ATIS, AAMI, GE, NFPA, and NEBB.

#### [People on the Move](#)

*People on the Move* spotlights trailblazers in standardization, highlighting their latest achievements, advancements, and contributions to the standards and conformance community. In this edition: WMIA and USP.

---

### SOCIAL MEDIA

Check us out on ...



---

## PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information...

### [Standards Action – April 24, 2015](#)

ANSI's key public review vehicle enables effective participation in the standards development process.

### [United States Standards Strategy \(USSS\) – Third Edition](#)

The *United States Standards Strategy* provides a framework that can be used by all interested parties to further advance trade issues, and a vision for the future of the U.S. standards system in today's globally competitive economy.

### [United States Conformity Assessment Principles \(USCAP\) – Third Edition](#)

The *United States Conformity Assessment Principles* document articulates the principles for U.S. conformity assessment activities that the consumer, buyers, sellers, regulators and other interested parties should be aware of to have confidence in the processes of providing conformity assessment, while avoiding the creation of unnecessary barriers to trade.

### [2013-2014 Annual Report](#)

This year's annual report, *Strategies for a Strong Nation and a Safer, Healthier World*, provides a summary of recent work carried out by ANSI and its constituents

### [What Is ANSI?](#)

This user-friendly introduction to ANSI provides a brief overview of many of the Institute's programs and activities, with links to more detailed information.

Check out our other [publications](#) and [documents of interest](#).

---

## CALENDAR

Visit the [Events Section](#) of ANSI Online regularly for complete event information.

### [ANSI Organizational Member Forum Meeting \(OMF\)](#)

May 6, 2015  
Arlington, VA

### [World Standards Week 2015](#)

September 28 – October 2, 2015  
Washington, DC

---

You have received this message as a Congressional member or staff contact, or because you have requested a subscription to this newsletter. If you wish to unsubscribe yourself from this list, please reply to this email (or to [sdoucet@ansi.org](mailto:sdoucet@ansi.org)) with the following text as the subject of the message: UNSUBSCRIBE.

If you would like to subscribe additional persons to this publication, please reply to this email (or to [sdoucet@ansi.org](mailto:sdoucet@ansi.org)) with SUBSCRIBE as the subject of the message and the additional email address(es) in the body text of the e-mail. We welcome your feedback on how we can improve this newsletter to better serve your needs.

ANSI's Washington, DC-based government affairs staff stands ready to provide you any additional information that you may need about significant developments within the standardization community. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Scott Cooper, ANSI vice president, government relations ([scooper@ansi.org](mailto:scooper@ansi.org); 202-331-3610).

American National Standards Institute • 1899 L Street, NW, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor • Washington, DC • 20036