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HEADLINES

Get caught up on the latest news from ANSI…

[**Standards Community to Host Hill Event on Smart Health**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=b896c73b-bcba-46a6-91e2-c13e11adfb0c&source=csu62817)

In conjunction with the U.S. Celebration of World Standards Day 2017, ANSI, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), and the Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI) will co-host an event on July 11, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., focused on “Smart Health: Using intelligent systems to improve the quality and delivery of health care in a more integrated, focused approach.”

[**ANSI’s Event on Capitol Hill to Highlight Standards and 21st Century Infrastructure**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=436f5382-5b40-4824-bd49-af35898d5d9a&source=csu62817)

ANSI will host an event entitled “Standards and 21st Century Infrastructure,” on Monday, July 17, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30p.m. The event will provide expert insights on infrastructure challenges, and highlight the role of voluntary standards and conformity assessment in modernizing and repairing structures integral to the U.S. economy.

[**ANSI Establishes Unmanned Aircraft Systems Standardization Collaborative**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=ccad4b7b-8826-4e96-97d6-8f4b34b3b466&source=csu62817)

A May 19 meeting convened by ANSI confirmed there is broad-based support among key stakeholders from the private and public sectors for ANSI to establish an Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Standardization Collaborative (UASSC).

[**National Institute of Justice Seminar: “Using Voluntary Standards and Conformity Assessment to Achieve NIJ’s Mission”**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=f5c8ddaf-4ed0-4ce9-af86-e1f4a49e50db&source=csu62817)

NIJ’s seminar on June 27, in Washington, DC covered current work with standards developing organizations (SDOs) to ensure the safety and effectiveness of law enforcement and justice system equipment and technology through voluntary standards and conformity assessment.

[**USTR Report Highlights ANSI, Standards Alliance’s Successful Work to Reduce Trade Barriers, Support U.S. Business**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=9e6e2495-bb49-42ac-8495-d8e34a6afa43&source=csu62817)

A recent fact sheet from the USTR highlights the successful work of ANSI and the Standards Alliance in supporting recent success stories related to reducing technical barriers to trade.

[**ANSI Supports World Accreditation Day 2017**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=3eb99752-08a8-47a9-98ce-847b8025d619&source=csu62817)

In recognition of World Accreditation Day 2017, ANSI has released a set of web-based resources that illustrate the numerous ways accreditation and standards support construction and the built environment.  The event was jointly established by the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) and the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) and is held each year on June 9.

[**ANSI Submits Comments on China’s Draft Standardization Law**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=dd07bf80-56ad-400e-a6ae-640ab0ecba63&source=csu62817)

ANSI has submitted comments on the draft revision of China’s Standardization Law. The State Council of the People’s Republic of China released the draft revision for public comment in May 2017.

[**ANSI and SAC Sign Updated MOU, Host Executive Roundtable**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=ec6025c2-387a-45fe-b761-6023181de2ba&source=csu62817)

On June 9, ANSI hosted a high-level Chinese delegation in Washington, DC. The delegation featured the leader of the Standardization Administration of China (SAC), and provided a unique opportunity to enhance ANSI and SAC’s cooperative relationship and discuss key policy developments and priorities.

[**ANSI Submits Response to USTR Request Notice on NAFTA Modernization**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=c44ff65d-d099-430c-812b-157714a60725&source=csu62817)

On behalf of the U.S. standardization community, ANSI has submitted a response to an Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) Federal Register Notice, with a statement of intent to testify at the June 27, 2017, hearing at the U.S. International Trade Commission, on negotiating objectives regarding the modernization of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) with Canada and Mexico.

[**People on the Move**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=23459dc4-cd23-4e0d-bff7-39fa8e25c2db&source=csu62817)

*People on the Move* spotlights trailblazers in standardization, highlighting their latest achievements, advancements, and contributions to the standards and conformance community. In this issue: The International Facility Management Association (IFMA).

[**Did You Know?**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story?menuid=7&articleid=ec5ca3a0-0179-400e-8760-02fd54db5b4e&source=csu62817)

Did You Know? offers a quick look at the broad scope of activities underway within the ANSI Federation of members and partners, highlighting recent accomplishments and new resources related to standardization. In this issue: The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM), the Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI), and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

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[**Standards Action - June 23**](https://share.ansi.org/Shared%20Documents/Standards%20Action/2017-PDFs/SAV4825.pdf)

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

[**United States Standards Strategy (USSS)**](https://share.ansi.org/shared%20documents/Standards%20Activities/NSSC/USSS_Third_edition/ANSI_USSS_2015.pdf?&source=csu62817) The *United States Standards Strategy* provides a framework to further advance trade and a vision for the future of the U.S. standards system in today’s globally competitive economy.

[**United States Conformity Assessment Principles (USCAP)**](https://share.ansi.org/shared%20documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/USCAP%202011.pdf?&source=csu62817)
The *United States Conformity Assessment Principles* articulates how U.S. conformity assessment activities foster confidence while avoiding the creation of unnecessary barriers to trade.

[**2015 – 2016 Annual Report**](https://share.ansi.org/Shared%20Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2015_16_Annual_Report.pdf)The 2016 annual report, *Collaborative Standardization Solutions for a Strong Nation and a Safer World,* provides a summary of recent work carried out by ANSI and its constituents in support of ANSI’s mission.

[**What Is ANSI?**](https://share.ansi.org/shared%20documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/WhatIsANSI_brochure.pdf?&source=csu62817)This user-friendly introduction to ANSI provides a brief overview of many of the Institute’s ongoing programs and activities.

Check out our other[publications](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/periodicals/overview.aspx?menuid=7&source=csu62817)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=csu62817).

CALENDAR

Visit the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=csu62817) of ANSI Online regularly for complete event information.

[**Standards Community Hill Event on Smart Health**](https://share.ansi.org/Shared%20Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Links%20Within%20Stories/2017%20WSD%20Hill%20event%20flyer.pdf)

July 11

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July 17

[**World Standards Week 2017**](https://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/wsw17/wsw?menuid=8)

October 16-20

[**U.S. Celebration of World Standards Day 2017**](https://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/wsw17/wsd)

October 19

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