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**What’s New?**

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HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**Updated Guide for U.S. Delegates to International Standardization Meetings Released**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3707&source=whatsnew082613)

In an effort to ensure that U.S. interests are effectively represented at international standardization fora, ANSI has released an updated *Guide for U.S. Delegates to Meetings of ISO and the IEC*. All individuals who serve or are interested in serving as delegates at International Organization for Standardization (ISO), International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), or other international standardization meetings are strongly encouraged to download the electronic document.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3707&source=whatsnew082613)

[**September ANSI Caucus to Feature Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration Chief Counsel Vanessa Allen Sutherland**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3703&source=whatsnew082613)

ANSI is pleased to announce that the next ANSI Caucus Luncheon, to be held Friday, September 13, will welcome back Vanessa Allen Sutherland, chief counsel for the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA).

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[**ANSI Announces 2014 Student Paper Competition on Standardization as a Tool to Boost Business**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3706&source=whatsnew082613)

As part of its continuing efforts to raise awareness among postsecondary students of the strategic significance of standards and conformance, ANSI is pleased to announce its third annual student paper competition. The theme of the 2014 competition is *How are standards and conformity assessment critical components in addressing emerging business challenges?*

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[**Standards Keep an Eye Out During Children’s Eye Health and Safety Month**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3705&source=whatsnew082613)

August marks the annual observance of Children’s Eye Health and Safety Month, reminding all of us about the importance of regular eye checkups and eye safety for children and adolescents. Voluntary consensus standards are there to help all year long, providing useful information and guidance related to the systems and technologies that can help safeguard your child’s sight.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3705&source=whatsnew082613)

[**Voluntary Standards Cover the Spectrum: from Water Coolers to Plumbing Fixtures**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3704&source=whatsnew082613)

To communicate the vital role that standards play in daily life, ANSI publishes snapshots of the diverse standards initiatives undertaken in the global and national standards arena, many of which are performed by ANSI members and ANSI-accredited standards developers. In this issue: water coolers and plumbing fixtures.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3704&source=whatsnew082613)

[**People on the Move**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3702&source=whatsnew082613)

*People on the Move* spotlights trailblazers in standardization, highlighting their latest achievements, advancements, and contributions to the standards community. In this issue: Brian Makowski and Christopher Rager.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3702&source=whatsnew082613)

SOCIAL MEDIA

ANSI actively participates in a number of social media websites, making pertinent information about events and initiatives readily accessible and providing a place of discussion for the U.S. standardization community.

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PUBLIC POLICY

*Federal Register* notices of potential interest …

[Standards and Trade Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, August 20, 2013 – August 26, 2013](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2013/08%2026%2013.pdf)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, August 20, 2013 – August 26, 2013](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2013/NCRPNotices%2008_26_13.pdf)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – August 23, 2013**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2013_PDFs/SAV4434.pdf?&source=whatsnew072913?&source=whatsnew082613)The latest issue of ANSI’s key public review vehicle.

[***United States Standards Strategy* (USSS) *– Third Edition***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Activities/NSSC/USSS_Third_edition/USSS%202010-sm.pdf?&source==whatsnew082613)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***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/USCAP%202011.pdf?&source==whatsnew082613)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.

[***2011-2012 Annual Report***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2011_12_Annual_Report_Final_with_Roster.pdf?&source=whatsnew082613)This year's annual report, *Leadership for a Rapidly Changing World*, describes how ANSI and its Federation of members have continued to use the power of collaboration to develop solutions for economic growth, innovation, and global priorities, fortifying the U.S. marketplace position in the global economy through standards-based solutions to national and global priorities.

[***What Is ANSI?***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/WhatIsANSI_brochure.pdf?&source=whatsnew082613)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](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/periodicals/overview.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew082613)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew082613).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew082613) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

[**World Standards Week (WSW) 2013**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/wsw13/wsw.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew082613)September 30–October 4, 2013
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Please check the [Education and Training](http://www.ansi.org/education_trainings/overview.aspx?menuid=9?&source=whatsnew082613) page of ANSI Online regularly for listings of upcoming courses.

Visit[StandardsLearn.org](http://www.standardslearn.org/?&source=whatsnew082613), the premier online source for standards and conformity assessment education, for easy-to-use educational tools that address the full range of standards activities. All of the courses and resources are free and provided by ANSI as a public service.

[**Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew082613)

From radiation detection to quality drinking water, a wide variety of topics are addressed by these case studies, where standardization – either the concept or actual practice – helped in the resolution of real-world problems. Instructors can use these case studies as a vehicle to stimulate class discussion of standardization in their discipline, along with the economic and/or operational consequences of addressing or not addressing the issues or needs.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

As a service to our members and constituents in the U.S. standards and conformity assessment community, ANSI provides an [online network](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew082613) connecting the most progressive companies with the most qualified career-minded individuals.

Openings are frequently available in ANSI’s New York and Washington, DC, offices. For more information or to submit your qualifications, visit the [Career Opportunities Section](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew082613) of ANSI Online.

STORE

Buying standards? Check out the [eStandards Store (eSS)…](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew082613)

Learn more about this issue’s featured package:

[**BS EN 62366 / BS EN ISO 14971 / BS EN 1041 / ISO 10993-1 - Medical Devices Package**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=BS+EN+62366+%2f+BS+EN+ISO+14971+%2f+BS+EN+1041+%2f+ISO+10993-1+-+Medical+Devices+Package)

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