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*What's New?* is a weekly electronic newsletter produced and distributed free of charge to the members and constituents of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). For a complete listing of ANSI news and events, visit [www.ansi.org](http://www.ansi.org).

#### **[Robert Adler, CPSC Commissioner and Acting Chairman Named Recipient of ANSI's Prestigious Chairman's Award](#)**

Mr. Adler will be recognized by ANSI Board chair Russ Chaney and ANSI president and CEO S. Joe Bhatia during the Institute's Annual Business Meeting on **October 21, 2020**, during World Standards Week, held virtually this year. The award honors outstanding accomplishments performed by a group or individual on behalf of ANSI or the ANSI Federation.

#### **[ANSI Launches New, Mobile-Friendly Website with Enhanced Features](#)**

The new [ANSI.org](http://ANSI.org) simplifies and modernizes the Institute's website design, search function, and content. In addition to new features, the redesigned website provides clearer organization and enhanced navigation to make it easier to find the latest information and need-to-know news related to domestic and international standards and conformity assessment activities.

#### **[ANSI Announces Virtual-Only Meetings Through December 31, 2020](#)**

ANSI has announced that all meetings and conferences hosted by ANSI, the ANSI National Accreditation Board (ANAB), and Workcred will be held virtually through December 31, 2020. This includes all World Standards Week 2020 events scheduled for October 19-23, as announced previously.

#### **[Weekly COVID-19 Update: The Three "Fs" for Choosing a Mask, U.S. Mayors Prioritize Infrastructure, and Coalition Senate Testimony Addresses Patient Misidentification](#)**

The ANSI Federation and standardization community are stepping up with guidance, resources, and initiatives to support public health, safety, and infrastructure during the COVID-19 outbreak. ANSI is monitoring, sharing, and promoting appropriate news to highlight these efforts. Suggestions for news items may be submitted to [pr@ansi.org](mailto:pr@ansi.org). All submissions are published at ANSI's discretion. In this issue:

- **AHIMA** and Others in Patient ID Now Coalition Call for Senate to Address Patient Misidentification
- **NSF International** Recommends the Three "Fs" for Mask Safety
- **Siemens** and U.S. Conference of Mayors Release Study that Reveals U.S. Mayors Prioritize Infrastructure

#### **[ANSI's Joe Bhatia to Highlight Standardization as a Driver of Innovation and U.S. Competitiveness in State of the Defense Standardization Program Keynote](#)**

ANSI's president and CEO S. Joe Bhatia, will deliver a keynote address at the U.S. Department of Defense's (DoD) State of the Defense Standardization Program Virtual Conference on **October 14, 2020**, highlighting standardization as a driver of innovation and U.S. competitiveness.

#### **[NIST Publishes Guidance on Federal Conformity Assessment Activities](#)**

NIST has revised this guidance to reflect development in conformity assessment concepts and the evolution in Federal agency strategies and coordination in using and relying on conformity assessment.

#### **[Ecological Restoration: ANSI Seeks Feedback on ISO Technical Committee Proposal](#)**

ANSI encourages relevant stakeholders to submit feedback by **November 20, 2020**, on a proposal for a new International Organization for Standardization technical committee (TC) focused on ecological restoration—the process of assisting the recovery of an ecosystem that has been degraded, damaged, or destroyed.

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

People on the Move highlights the career advancements of high-level trailblazers working professionally in diverse areas of standardization, contributing every day to the strength and success of the U.S. standards and conformance community. In this issue:

- **IAPMO** names Dave Viola as its new CEO. Mr. Viola will assume the position on January 1, 2021, taking over for GP Russ Chaney, who is retiring after 25 years.
- **Deirdre Jimenez** has been named the organization's first president and CEO of BIFMA.
- **Brad Miller** will retire from **BIFMA** at the end of 2020, concluding 26 years with the organization.
- The **American Wood Council** (AWC) has appointed **Jackson Morrill** as its new president and CEO.

#### **[ANSI Member Updates](#)**

Keep current with news bites from ANSI members (submissions are welcome!), including free resources and recent achievements of interest to the broader standardization community. See the newest updates from NIST, SCC, X12, and more.

#### **[Standards Spotlight](#)**

ANSI strives to increase the visibility of standards by highlighting their real-world application and impact on everyday life.

Read the latest post: [Raise Your Glass to Cleaner H2O](#)



**This week's Federal Register notices of potential interest ...**

[Standards Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, September 28-October 2, 2020](#)

[Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993](#)



### **Standards Action, October 2, 2020**



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