

WORKSHOPS

Pre-Registration Required by Jan. 30

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The Seven Habits for Highly Effective Standards Development

Monday, February 13, 2023

8:30 AM – 12:00 PM

CE Hours: 3.25

Learning Overview: After attending this presentation, attendees will (1) gain a better understanding of the role and importance of consensus-based standards in strengthening forensic science in the United States and internationally; (2) gain a greater awareness of their own individual role in the development of consensus-based standards, and (3) learn how to provide input and get involved.

Impact Statement: The 2009 National Academy of Sciences (NAS) Report emphasized the need for standards in forensic science. Since this Report was issued, more than 140 forensic science standards have been published, and more than 100 of those have been placed on the Organization of Scientific Area Committees (OSAC) Registry. Still, many more discipline-specific standards are needed to continue to strengthen the field. Standards development is a long and sometimes contentious process. To be successful, those involved must be able to lead themselves and influence, engage, and collaborate with others. This workshop will provide attendees with information on how they can become more effective in the standards development process.

Program Description: Attendees will hear updates about forensic science standards development efforts in the United States and internationally. They will also gain a better understanding of ways to become more effective in participating in the development of consensus-based standards, including how to write documents, submit public and committee comments, and adjudicate those comments. Attendees will also learn the various ways they can get involved in forensic science standards development.

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Target Audience: Criminalistics, Digital & Multimedia Sciences, General, Jurisprudence, Odontology, Pathology/Biology, Questioned Documents, Toxicology

Knowledge Level Required: Basic

Program:

8:30 AM – 8:45 AM	Introduction and What's New Since AAFS 2022 <i>Teresa Ambrosius, BA</i>
8:45 AM - 9:15 AM	How to Write a Good Standard <i>Karen Reczek, MLS</i>
9:15 AM - 9:45 AM	What is Consensus and How Do We Get There? <i>Agnes Winokur, MS</i>
9:45 AM - 10:00 AM	BREAK
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	The Best Way to Write and Submit Comments <i>Marc LeBeau, PhD</i>
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	How Are Comments Adjudicated? <i>Kevin P. Kulbacki, MSFS</i>
11:00 AM - 11:15 AM	How Can YOU Get Involved in the Standards <i>Allison Getz, MS</i>
11:15 AM - 12:00 PM	Questions and Answers