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ASQ Edmonton Mission:

ASQ Canada Edmonton Section adds value to ASQ membership and promotes quality in Northern Alberta through facilitating local access to information and education on quality principles, practices and experience, and by providing opportunities to share ideas and learning.



Message from the Chair

Atheer Jawad
Chair Edmonton Section 014

Hi Quality Professionals,

We plan to continue providing value to Quality community and also introduce new initiatives this year. As your section member leaders roll on with multiple initiative preparations for this year, I would like to thank you for the positive response to my previous call for volunteers, this will add big value to the section efforts and contributes to our success in delivering exceptional year.

Let's keep the momentum and call for another initiative! One of our major goals this year is to setup strong base of increasing the number of our section members, and we can achieve a sustainable growth with collaborative efforts of all section members, hence I kindly request from you to be the voice of your section by inviting your colleagues and friends to our events, talk to them about ASQ and in the same time, come back to us with more ideas and comments on how to attract more members to our section, in other words, how to be a bigger family!

I would like to leave it up to this point for the time being with full confidence that we will hear from you, and also to let you spend more time on the rest of this rich issue of our newsletter, stay tuned more is coming...

Kind Regards
Atheer Jawad
Chair, ASQ Edmonton Section 0410

ASQ Edmonton Quality Conference 2017

"Quality in Canada - 150 years" – Edmonton, Alberta – October 13, 2017

For more information please see the February 2017 Newsletter archived on our website

For more information about volunteering opportunities please contact:

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Upcoming Events

1. March 22nd ASQ Edmonton Dinner Meeting – Career Management and You
Sandra Marin
2. April 19th ASQ Edmonton Dinner Meeting – Job Searching 2.0: Find the Job of Your Dreams
Mark Karpinka
3. May 15th Full Day Workshop – Transition to ISO 9001:2015
Colleen Lawrence

Quote of the month

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it is a habit.*
-- Aristotle --

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March Dinner Meeting

March 22nd, 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm, at Woodvale Community Facility & Golf Clubhouse.
Dinner will be served at 6:00, networking from 5:30 to 6:00, presentation 7:00 to 8:00 pm.
Student: \$10, Non-Member: \$30, Member: \$20, New ASQ Members: first meeting free.

Please RSVP by March 20th to program chair, Regine Seibert, at Program@asqedmonton.org

Presentation: Career Management and You: ensuring others know about you and your value

This presentation will include:

- What is career management?
- An overview of the 5-step career management process,
- Emphasis will be on building relationships, career development conversations, and career development action plan

Guests are invited to bring their specific questions, curiosities and insights about this topic. There will be time for sharing and discussion.

About the speaker: Sandra Marin (www.SandraMarinInc.com)



Sandra brings to her professional practice over 25 years of leadership experience in Sales, Client Relationship and Human Resource Management. She has inspired others while managing vision and purpose, and driving for results. Industry experience includes consumer products, market research, retail, post-secondary, utilities and government. Sandra is passionate about creating sustainable workplaces through positive, productive and effective relationships. Having firsthand business and leadership experience makes Sandra unique amongst coaches and consultants. She is particularly aware of and sensitive to the many challenges and competing priorities faced by her clients. Known as an active thought partner with a keen sense of humour, and an eye for the less obvious. Quickly develops rapport with individuals at all levels and supports them as they work towards their own goal achievement.

ASQ Moves to Online Recertification

Members with certifications will be happy to know that ASQ now has the facility for its members to submit their Recertification Journal online via <https://asq.org/cert/mycertifications>.

You can now log in the Recertification Units (RUs) as you earn them over the three-year period. Your RUs will be stored on your record so, once the Recertification Journal is approved and the record updated, there is no need to keep hard copies any longer. To add, remove, review or adjust the activities on the Journal, you can use the "Edit" button next to the appropriate recertification unit activity type and follow the instructions provided.

When you have logged a minimum of 18 RUs and you are within 6 months of your recertification date, hit the "Recertify Now" button at the bottom of the Recertification page and you will be taken through the process of submitting and paying for your recertification. Your journal will then be submitted to the recertification coordinator for approval. If the recertification coordinator has any questions regarding your credits or documentation, he will contact you. Once submitted, you can check the progress through your "My Certifications" page.

If you wish to synchronize any of your certifications, then you will need to send in your recertification journal, with appropriate documentation, to your section recertification chair or to the ASQ recertification coordinator through mail or an e-mail. You will not be able to use the online journal to synchronize.

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Transition to ISO 9001: 2015 Quality Management System

Full Day Course: May 15th, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, at Woodvale Community Facility & Golf Clubhouse.

Price: TBA

Course Content:

This 1-day course can help organizations already using ISO 9001 transition to the new 2015 edition. The interactive course highlights the significant changes to the standard and discusses how to manage these changes in your Quality Management System (QMS), including the benefits of the changes, options of how to implement them, the documentation requirements and the transition steps needed to upgrade your QMS to ISO 9001:2015.

Learning Objectives:

Participant at the end of this course will:

- Have a greater understanding of the structure, key changes, and intent of the ISO 9001:2015 requirements
- Discover the standard's increased emphasis on risk-based thinking
- Discuss the typical approaches to upgrading, plus gain insight as it relates to required documentation, management review, context of the organization, risk organization knowledge, quality objectives, outsourced processes, supply chain management, and risk
- Identify what needs to be revised in your QMS and understand your options of how to implement the changes
- Discover the common areas of non-conformances for upgrade re-registration audits
- Create an action plan for your timeline

Who Should Attend:

Anyone involved in planning, implementing, internal auditing, or supervising of the transitions to ISO 9001: 2015 QMS requirements:

- ISO 9001 auditors, quality managers, coordinators, and practitioners
- Trainers and consultants
- Senior management and supervisors

Prerequisites:

Good knowledge of the ISO 9001: 2008 QMS requirements, and principles. (Note: This course is not intended for those considering implementing a NEW Quality Management System or who have had no previous Quality Management System training or experience).

About the Trainer: Colleen Lawrence, President of Spectrum Quality Advisors Inc.



Colleen Lawrence President of Spectrum Quality Advisors Inc. provides consulting, auditing, and training services for management systems such as ISO 9001 Quality, ISO 14001 Environmental, and OHSAS 18001 Safety. Ms. Lawrence is a certified Lead Auditor, and a former Automotive, Aerospace, and Food Safety Auditor. She is a Senior ASQ member and certified in Change Management.

Her experience includes 20+ years' in a variety of industries:

- Oil and Gas,
- Engineering,
- Third Party Certification audits,
- Manufacturing and Packaging, and
- Laboratory, Calibration and Repair Services.



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Voice of the Customer

One of the most important goals of ASQ Edmonton is to provide amazing value to our invaluable members and quality leaders. However, this goal can only be achieved with the active help and support of our members like you. We are always looking for your ideas and feedback to continuously improve the value we deliver. Therefore, we will sincerely appreciate if you reach out to us at VOC@asqedmonton.org with your thoughtful suggestions.

**ASQ INTRODUCES NEW CERTIFICATION:
CERTIFIED SUPPLIER QUALITY PROFESSIONAL (CSQP)**

The Certified Supplier Quality Professional works with an organization's supply chain and suppliers to continuously improve performance of key system components (increase lifecycle, reduce scrap, improve repair processes) by implementing process controls and developing quality assurance plans. The certified supplier quality professional tracks data, identifies improvement projects, and manages cross-functional implementation to improve performance of key components and suppliers.

Please use the below link to review the CSQP Body of Knowledge:

<https://asq.org/cert/resource/pdf/certification/inserts/CSQP%20Insert%20B1706.pdf>

Upcoming ASQ Certification and Training Resources

<http://asq.org/cert/dates>

Certification	Exam Date / Place	Application Deadline
Certified Quality Inspector (CQI)	May 5-21, 2017 Prometric (Computer Based)	April 7, 2017 Application Deadline
Certified Quality Technician (CQT)		
Certified Reliability Engineer (CRE)		
Certified Manager of Quality (CMQ/OE)		
Certified HACCP Auditor (CHA)		
Certified Biomedical Auditor (CBA)		
Certified Supplier Quality Professional (CSQP)		
Certified Six-Sigma Yellow Belt (CSSYB)		
Certified Six-Sigma Black Belt (CSSBB)		
Master Black Belt		
Pharmaceutical GMP Professional (CPGP)	April 7-23, 2017 Prometric (Computer Based)	March 10, 2017 Application Deadline
Software Quality Engineer (CSQE)		
Quality Auditor (CQA)		
Quality Engineer (CQE)		
Quality Improvement Associate (CQIA)		
Calibration Technician (CCT)		
Quality Process Analyst (CQPA)		
Six-Sigma Green Belt (CSSGB)		

ASQ Training Resources

To support quality professionals worldwide in preparing for their certification exams and day to day quality improvement activities, ASQ makes available various and methodologies at its on-line Knowledge Center at <http://asq.org/knowledge-center/index.html>. Also, ASQ provides on-site and web-based training on various quality topics and certifications at <http://asq.org/learninginstitute/index.html>. You can also order simulated ASQ Exams & Questions at (<http://cert.asq.org/certification/control/prepare>).