

The Modern Sterile Processing World

Understanding and
Collaboration!

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““Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up.”

—Thomas Edison

INTRODUCTION



My Mission: To provide servant leadership, mentorship and guidance with 3 main goals.

- Give you the tools to do the job
- Provide the training and education
- Remove barriers to success

My Background:

- 26 years in Sterile Processing
- Retired Combat Medic
- Chair of IAHCSMM Legislative Council
- IAHCSMM President
- Director of Sterile Processing

My Promise:

To give you a unique insight and perspective of the modern Sterile Processing industry and what impacts our profession and everyday lives. You will see how your work, your education and your voice make a difference and how to be part of the "Big Picture"

Objectives

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- How the roll in the modern sterilization world is changing.
- What are the reasons for membership and certification
- A Strategic Plan for the future and how it will impact our profession

Standards

- Describe what AAMI does and how the Standards Process works.
- How are standards written and maintained.
- Important standards and progress

“Extra / Extra”

- Advocacy Update
- Collaboration around the world
- Latest updates and outlook for the next couple of years.

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**How the roll in the modern
sterilization world is changing.**

IAHCSMM's Mission

The mission of IAHCSMM is to promote patient safety worldwide by raising the level of expertise and recognition for those in the Central Service profession.

IAHCSMM accomplishes its mission:

- By providing educational, professional development, certification, communication, and representation opportunities for Central Service professionals;
- Through collaboration efforts with allied partners, members, and associates; and
- Through advocacy initiatives for public policy changes.



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**What are the reasons for
membership and certification**



Knowledge and Power Certification and Membership

LEARN, LEAD, PARTICIPATE

The Pride of Certification

&

The Power of Membership

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**A Strategic Plan for the future and
how it will impact our profession**

THE STAGE HAS BEEN SET FOR SUCCESS

1

Enhance the role
as a leader in
education

2

Increase the
visibility of the
central service
profession

3

Optimize
organizational
effectiveness

4

Build New
Educational
Resources and
tools



Sterilization Standards



**Describe what and how the Sterile
Processing Standards Process
works.**

Who is AAMI

Engineering, medicine, nursing, industry and government professionals

7,000 members – individual members or representatives of:

Hospitals, industry and government

R&D, QA/RA professionals, engineers

Doctors, nurses, technicians, students

Academic and government researchers

Consultant experts

Over 300 corporate and institutional
members

FDA is “sustaining” member

Technical Document Types

What is an AAMI Standard

Provides recommendations regarding device labeling, basic safety and performance criteria and test methods for assessing compliance;

Provides guidelines for the use, care, evaluation, or processing of medical devices.

May be targeted at device manufacturers or health care personnel involved in using, maintaining, evaluating or processing a device



What is a TIR (Technical Information Report)

Review of important technical issues relevant to particular technology and statement of expert opinion

Issued when there is not sufficient data to develop a standard or consensus cannot be reached.

Allows discussion of several sides or positions related to an issues.



AAMI 101

How to become an AAMI member

What are the AAMI documents that are relevant to sterile processing departments.

How does AAMI work with FDA, CDC, the Joint Commission and other agencies

Do I have travel to attend the AAMI meetings

How many times does AAMI meet





AAMI 101

How does AAMI and IAHCSSM work together

How can being an AAMI member help my hospital / department

What other programs does AAMI have that help Sterile Processing

AAMI



**How are standards written and
maintained?**

The Standards Development Process

1

The Proposal

2

Drafting/
Preparatory

3

Committee
Consensus
(Balloting)

4

Public Review

5

Approval and
Publication



Who Writes the Standards?

Technical committees or working groups

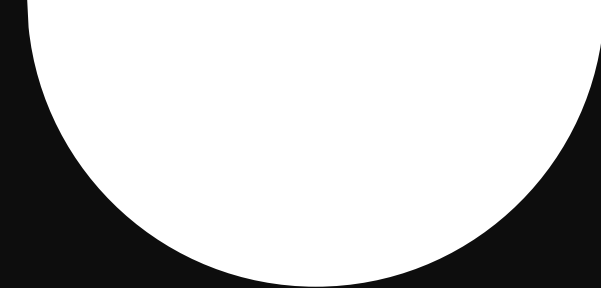
Led by co-chairs—one producer and one general interest/user/regulatory representative

AAMI Committees—Membership balanced between users (clinicians), general interests, regulators and producers

AAMI



Important standards and progress!

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- St-79 Steam Sterilization in Health Care Facilities
 - St-58 Chemical Sterilization and High Level Disinfection
 - St-90 Quality Management Systems
 - St-91 Flexible and semi-rigid endoscope processing

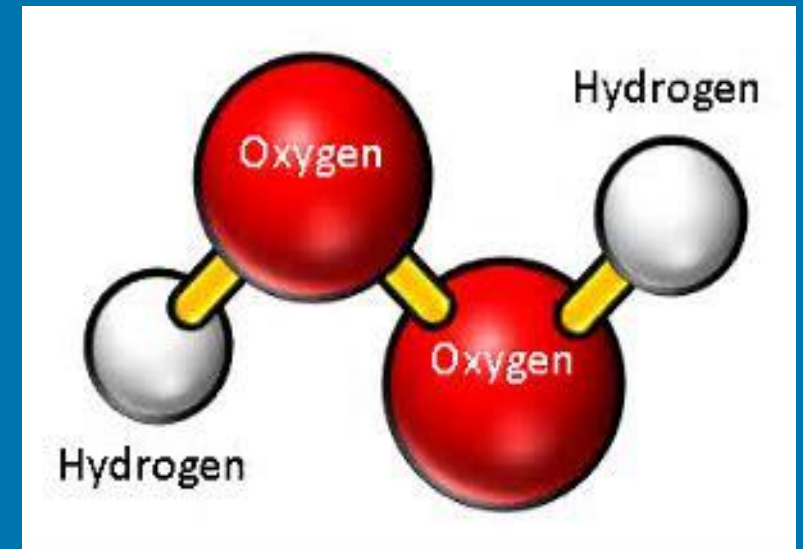
St-79 Steam Sterilization in Health Care Facilities

- **Started 2006 (Combination of 5 standards)**
- **Last update 2017 (September)**
- **Known as the “Bible of Sterilization”**
- **Last Meeting Updates (Decon, Temp, Brushes....and more)**
- **Next Steps**



St-58 Chemical Sterilization and High Level Disinfection

- Last updated 2013
- Inclusions / Exclusions
- Why is this important to us?
- Next Steps



St-90 Quality Management Systems

- **New standard started in 2012**
- **Just published 2017 (Sept)**
- **How it started**
- **Next Steps**



St-91 Flexible and semi-rigid endoscope processing

- **New Standard first published in 2015**
- **Modern Environment**
- **Re-Opened 2016**
- **Discussion**
- **Next Steps**



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Advocacy Update

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Collaboration around the world

- **Counties**
- **Associations**
- **Other Organization's**

Extra / Extra



**Latest updates and outlook for the
next couple of years.**

FIME

Infection Control Today

**The Men and Women of Armed Forces
(Past Present and Future)!**

THANK YOU