



Read the Latest ASQ White Paper on Innovation and Quality

Learn how highly profitable companies are using unique approaches to strike a balance between efficiency and innovation by reading the latest ASQ white paper, "Fresh Thinking on Innovation and Quality." In the report, ASQ profiles two major companies, DuPont and Procter & Gamble, well-known industry innovators that have taken steps to fully integrate the creativity-generating functions of R&D and product development with regular process management structures and practices. For more information, [read the news release](#).

Tips for Crafting a Successful Fellow Nomination - Part 4

The fourth article in a series explaining common pitfalls that cause non-acceptance of Fellow nominations is now available. [Read Article 4 - Nominations - stand-alone documents](#). Contact [Karen Prosser](#) for additional information.

Educators: Submit Your Proposal for NQEC 2010!

The [National Quality Education Conference](#) (NQEC) committee is now accepting proposals for the 18th NQEC, November 7-9, 2010, Chicago, Ill. The conference provides teachers, administrators, support personnel, and other stakeholders opportunities to examine continuous improvement principles that have been successfully used in education. The submission deadline is February 19. [Click here](#) to learn more.

New Book Highlights Benefits of ISO 9001 for Government Entities

A newly released book, *Making Government Great Again: Mapping the Road to Success With ISO 9001:2008*, offers a case study of the first state transportation agency in the country to achieve ISO 9001:2000 certification for its major business processes, and then went on to transition to ISO 9001:2008. The book highlights all of the processes involved in the planning, design, and construction of road and bridge improvements, maintenance of existing roads and bridges, and administrative oversight. For more information, [read the news release](#).

Leader of Quality Management Has Passed Away

Dr. Stanley A. Marash, founder of STAT-A-MATRIX and a noted leader in the quality management field, passed away December 17, 2009, at the age of 71. Dr. Marash was active with ASQ since the early 1960s, and became a Fellow of the Society in 1986. Dr. Marash was the chairman of the International Cooperation Committee for many years, and helped start the Biomedical Division.