



AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR QUALITY

Overview:

The American Society for Quality (ASQ) is the world's leading authority on quality. With more than 100,000 individual and organizational members, this professional association advances learning, quality improvement, and knowledge exchange to improve business results, and to create better workplaces and communities worldwide. As champion of the quality movement, ASQ offers technologies, concepts, tools, and training to quality professionals, quality practitioners, and everyday consumers, encouraging all to Make Good Great®.

Established in 1946, ASQ supports its members by providing a wide range of resources, from certification and training to publications and conferences. Globally, ASQ has formed relationships with other nonprofit organizations that have comparable missions and principles. Our collaborative efforts are helping to meet the quality needs of companies, individuals, and organizations worldwide. The Society serves as an advocate for quality. Its members have informed and advised the U.S., Congress, government agencies, state legislatures, and other groups and individuals on quality-related topics. ASQ has been involved with the Baldrige Award since its inception in 1988 and has been the sole administrator of the award since 1991.

Vision:

By making quality a global priority, an organizational imperative, and a personal ethic, ASQ becomes the community of choice for everyone who seeks quality technology, concepts, or tools to improve themselves and their world.

Statistics:

More than 93,000 individual members
More than 800 corporate/organizational members
252 geographical Sections
26 topic-/industry-specific Forums and Divisions
215 staff at world headquarters

Certifications:

ASQ offers professional quality certifications in the following areas: Biomedical Auditor, Calibration Technician, HACCP Auditor, Manager of Quality/Organizational Excellence, Quality Inspector, Quality Auditor, Quality Engineer, Quality Improvement Associate, Quality Process Analyst, Quality Technician, Reliability Engineer, Six Sigma Black Belt, Six Sigma Green Belt, and Software Quality Engineer.

For additional information on ASQ visit our Web site at: <http://asq.org>



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ASQ Cincinnati:

ASQ membership is broken down geographically into 252 Sections, and topically into 27 Forums and Divisions. The Sections, run by volunteer member leaders in the United States, allow members to come together to share and learn on all topics related to quality. The Cincinnati Section of ASQ was founded in 1948. It covers the Greater Cincinnati Area including Southwest Ohio, Northern Kentucky and Southeastern Indiana. We offer dinner meetings, newsletters, online information, educational courses, seminars, conferences, certification exam preparatory programs and Quality Improvement Award Program. The third Tuesday of the month from September through May we host a dinner meeting followed by an educational program. The meetings are held at Raffles' Catering, 10160 Reading Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45241, (513) 563-9996. This year we are also sponsoring an area Quality Award for healthcare organizations. Additional information is available on our Web site.

We take great pride in the fact that the Cincinnati Section is now 635 strong. These professional men and women include 353 regular members, 274 senior members and 8 fellows. Our members come with a broad range of interests as demonstrated by the forums and divisions they subscribe to. Our members participate in all ASQ Divisions including healthcare, education, services, manufacturing and government. The Forums and Divisions are unique sources of focused information on quality that can help our members with their career and job performance. They provide opportunities for our members to take advantage of targeted publications, training, conferences and networking opportunities.

Our chapter boasts over 160 members with at least one certification, 50 with two, 24 with three, 10 with four and 6 with 6 or more certifications. One member has achieved a total of 8! The CQE is the most popular certification with 112 members, followed by the CQA (109), CQM/OE (50), CQT (47), CSQE (31) and CQIA (30).

The Cincinnati section is also privileged to count many different types of professionals as our members including managers (37.81%), engineers (31.32%), directors (10.96%), technicians (8%.28), consultants (7.61%), and company presidents and owners (4.02%).

For additional information on our Section activities visit our Web site at: <http://asqcincinnati.org>