## HLAC Opens for Public Comment Proposed Revisions To Accreditation Standards



The Healthcare Laundry Accreditation Council (HLAC) is actively seeking public comment to proposed revisions to the 2011 Accreditation Standards for Processing Reusable Textiles for Use in Healthcare Facilities (referred to as Standards).

The proposed revisions are open for public comment through a survey that can be accessed below and from HLAC's website. Public comments will be accepted until June 30, 2014.

"HLAC encourages all professionals who serve the healthcare industry or use or process healthcare textiles to participate in the survey and make responsible comments on the proposed revisions to the Standards," said Gregory Gicewicz, HLAC President. "Your feedback is important and HLAC will seriously consider all comments."

The proposed revised Standards and survey are displayed in three parts.

In the proposed revised *Standards*, the change action will appear in **blue**; the proposed revision change appears in **red**.

The survey will correspond to the revised Standards number that appears in the document.

The survey asks participants if they agree or disagree with the revised *Standard* and the rationale for the decision.

Participants may comment on all revisions in the *Standards* (Parts I, II or III) or, participants may choose to comment only on those revisions where their opinions, views or ideas are strongest.

Here are links to the revisions and corresponding survey:

To access the <mark>proposed revisions</mark> of the HLAC *Standards*, <u>Part I</u>, <u>click here</u>. To access the <mark>survey</mark> of the proposed revisions of the HLAC Standards, <u>Part I, click here</u>:

To access the <mark>proposed revisions</mark> of the HLAC *Standards*, <u>Part II</u>, <u>click here</u>. To access the <mark>survey</mark> of the proposed revisions of the HLAC Standards, <u>Part II</u>, <u>click here</u>:

To access the <mark>proposed revisions</mark> of the HLAC *Standards*, <u>Part III</u>, <u>click here</u>. To access the <mark>survey</mark> of the proposed revisions of the HLAC Standards, Part III, click here:

The first edition of the *HLAC Standards* became effective in 2006. The second edition of the *HLAC Standards* which was almost a total revision of the 2006 Standards became effective in 2012. The next revision of the *HLAC Standards* will become effective on January 1, 2016.

## About HLAC

The Healthcare Laundry Accreditation Council (HLAC) is a nonprofit organization formed for the purpose of inspecting and accrediting laundries processing healthcare textiles for hospitals, nursing homes and other healthcare facilities

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