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Mission, vision, and goals

- Mission: Dedicated to optimizing the health care physical environment
- Vision: To engage stakeholders in the creation of the optimum healing health care environment.
- Strategic goals
 - Regulation
 - Reputation
 - Capacity



Strategic Imperatives

While strategic goals are long-term targets, strategic imperatives are short-term (1–2 year) initiatives that support ASHE's strategic goals.

Member Value

Succession Planning

Sustainability and Commissioning



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Recent Advocacy Issues

Codes & Standards

- ASHRAE

 - 170

 - Public Comments for 4 addendum closed yesterday

 - 188 Legionellosis

 - Published 26 June 2015 - Alternate Hospital Path Included

- ICC

 - 2018 Code Cycle

 - Public Comment Hearings – 30 Sept – 7 Oct Code

 - Adoption Delay proposals in several states

- FGI

 - 2018 Cycle Started – Public Input reviews due 18 Nov

 - Substantiation Project Underway



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NFPA® Update

- NFPA 99 and NFPA 101 Comment Period ended 6 July
- 21 Public Inputs Coordinated
 - 14 for 99
 - 7 for 101
- Plan now for NFPA's 2017 Annual Conference and Expo to Vote on 2018 NFPA 101 and NFPA 99
 - June 4-7, 2017 – Boston, MA



TJC/ASHE FOCUS on Compliance

- Joint Commission ID Top 8 Standards
- Web Portals Created
 - TJC = www.jointcommission.org/topics/the_physical_environment
 - ASHE = www.ashe.org/compliance
- Each Standard
 - Addressed over two months
 - Resources to be posted
 - Tools, Best Practices & Technical Documents

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- Schedule

Aug/Sept 2015: Utility Systems (EC.02.05.01)

Oct/Nov 2015: Means of Egress (LS.02.01.20)

Dec 2015/Jan 2016: Built Environment (EC.02.06.01)

Feb/Mar 2016: Fire Protection (EC.02.03.05)

Apr/May 2016: General Requirements (LS.02.01.10)

Jun/Jul 2016: Life Safety Protection (LS.02.01.30)

Aug/Sept 2016: Automated Suppression Systems (LS.02.01.35)

Oct/Nov 2016: Hazardous Materials and Waste Management
(EC.02.02.01)

OR, SPD and Sterile Supplies Temp/RH

- Working with several organizations
- ASHE Issue Brief Provides additional guidance
 - Establish Multidisciplinary Team
 - Perform and Document Risk Assessment
 - Determine HVAC operating parameters for:
 - OR's, SPD, Sterile Storage Areas
 - Include in P&P



E-Learning Programs

View a demo of the 2010 FGI eLearning Program at:

http://www.ashe.org/learn/e-learning_programs/2010_fgi_guidelines/index.html



Questions?

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**Resources Areas: Codes and standards, regulatory issues,
state agency relations**

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