

#### IN THE SPOTLIGHT

# INTRODUCTION

- → In the Spotlight materials are initially presented at an X12 corporate meeting,
- → Subsequently, they are posted in the Info Center
- → Each presentation covers one topic
- → These "quick hits" highlight new features and functions or remind the audience of things they may have forgotten over time
- → X12 welcomes suggestions for Spotlight topics, use X12's online feedback form to tell us what you want to hear more about

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# POLICIES & PROCEDURES TASK GROUP

- → Commonly known as P-and-P (P&P)
- → A standing task group established under ASC Steering
- → Established June 1995
- Responsible for the overseeing the policies and procedures of the ASC including committee, subcommittee, and task grouplevel governance



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# RELATED GOVERNANCE

- → P&P is established as a Steering advisory task group in the Accredited Standards Committee Operating Manual (ASCO1)
- → The P&P purpose and scope is described in P&P Purpose and Scope (ASC30)
- → P&P operates under group-specific policies detailed in the P&P Charter (ASC31)

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# P&P PURPOSE

- → P&P is chartered to make recommendations to the Steering Committee concerning the policies and procedures of the Accredited Standards Committee (ASC)
- → All actions of P&P are subject to review and approval by the Steering Committee

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### P&P SCOPE

- → Overseeing maintenance of ASC policies and procedures
- Interpreting ANSI policies and procedures as these relate to ASC operations
- Coordinating the membership balloting process with staff
- → Assisting ASC groups with understanding and applying the ASC policies and procedures



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# SIMPLY STATED

- → P&P proposes revisions to the ASC committee-level policies and procedures based on Steering instructions or public feedback while
  - P&P ensures the ASC committee-level governance aligns with X12's corporate-level policies and procedures
- → P&P evaluates proposed revisions to the ASC's subcommittee-level policies and procedures to ensure they align with X12's corporate and the ASC's committee-level policies and procedures

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# SIMPLY STATED

- → P&P ensures the policies it revises or reviews are well-written, clearly stated, and unambiguous as part of their review/proposal processes
- → P&P reviews ANSI policies and procedures that relate to ASC operations to ensure the ASC remains compliant with ANSI's rules
- → P&P clarifies X12 and ASC governance to Steering or other ASC groups as necessary
- → P&P reviews the ASC's primary governance biennially to ensure it remains relevant

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# OFFICERS AND CONSTITUENTS

#### → Officers

• The P&P chair is appointed by the ASC chair

#### → Constituents

 Any ASC stakeholder's member representative with a material interest in the activities of P&P is eligible to be recognized as a P&P constituent if they meet the criteria established in the P&P Charter



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# CONSTITUENT CRITERIA

#### → The constituent criteria includes:

- Attending two consecutive P&P meetings as an observer
- Attending one or more sessions at a Standing meeting counts as attending one meeting
- Requesting and being granted constituent recognition at the third consecutively attended P&P meeting

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# P&P CONSTITUENTS

- Constituent status resides with the individual member representative and is not transferable to any other member representative
- → P&P constituents must meet the following criteria to retain constituent status
  - Attending two out of every five P&P meetings, attending one or more sessions at a Standing meeting counts as attending one meeting
  - Participating in P&P's online collaborations by posting comments or voting in electronic ballots

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# CONSTITUENT RESPONSIBILITIES

#### → Responsibilities include

- Being prepared for P&P discussions
- Consistent participation in P&P collaborations
- → Privileges include
  - The right to participate in collaborations
  - The right to hold office
  - The right to offer motions
  - The right to vote on P&P ballots

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# P&P OBSERVERS

- → Any ASC stakeholder's member representative is permitted to attend a P&P meeting or session as an observer
- → Non-member attendees at an X12 Standing meeting are not generally permitted to attend a P&P session as an observer
  - An exception may be granted at the discretion of the ASC Chair or the P&P Chair
- → Observers are not entitled to any privileges afforded to P&P constituents

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# MEETINGS, QUORUM, AND VOTING

- → P&P is required to meet during at least one of the Standing meetings each year
- → P&P generally meets at least once during each of the Standing meetings
- → The P&P chair schedules meetings as necessary to ensure timely completion of P&P tasks and activities
- → Quorum for P&P is 50% of the constituents
- → P&P votes via meeting ballots and electronic ballots

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# **SUMMARY**

- → Policies and procedures are the bedrock of X12 and the ASC, P&P plays a critical role in assuring that governance is effective and efficient.
- → More information about the P&P policies and procedures is online at x12.org/resources/policies-and-procedures
  - The Accredited Standards Committee Operating Manual (ASC01)
  - The *P&P Purpose* and *Scope* (ASC30)
  - The P&P Charter (ASC31)

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