

December 2021

Wishing you a wonderful holiday season and all the best in the year to come.







Lean Systems and Principles

January 11, 2022 • Webinar • FREE • Registration Deadline 1/7/22

Do you want to improve the productivity of your resources including, but not limited to your human capital? Adopting LEAN systems and principles which focus on identification and elimination of process wastes can and will help. This webinar includes a discussion of LEAN approach and LEAN Building Blocks tools, techniques, and systems that can help with improving productivity. This training is for personnel from all departments who are interested in exploring options to address many business challenges and improve productivity and profitability.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to learn from Lean expert Reza Maleki! Click on the link below for complete information.

Lean Systems Webinar Info & Registration

AS9100 Internal Auditor Training

January 18-19, 2022 • Virtual Classroom • Registration Deadline 1/14/22 This two-day training will focus on the AS9100D Quality Management System.

AS9100 fully incorporates the entirety of the current version of ISO9001; while adding requirements relating to quality and safety in the aviation, space, and defense industry. Major aviation, space, and defense manufacturers and suppliers worldwide require compliance and/or registration to AS9100 as a condition of doing business with them. This training is for personnel involved in conducting or supporting internal audits. Your company doesn't need to be AS9100 registered to benefit from this training; your trained employees can audit your current quality systems as a method to continuously improve. Click on the link below for complete information.

AS9100 Info & Registration

ISO9001 Internal Auditor Training

January 18-19, 2022 • Virtual Classroom • Registration Deadline 1/14/22 This 1-1/2 day training will focus on the ISO9001:2015 Quality Management System.

ISO9001 is Quality Management System that many businesses use as the foundation upon which they add their unique industry requirements. Many firms are already ISO Certified, and many more are becoming certified as their customers require it or they are trying to attract new business. This training is for personnel involved in conducting or supporting internal audits. Your company doesn't need to be ISO9001 registered to benefit from this training; your trained employees can audit your current quality systems as a method to continuously improve. Click on the link below for complete information.

ISO9001:2015 Info & Registration

— FOOD SAFETY TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES —

Seating is Limited • Register today to take advantage of special rates!

PCQI for Human Food Training

January 25-27, 2022 • Minot, ND

SPECIAL NEW YEAR'S RATE - \$400 DISCOUNT!

<u>Click here for PCQI for Human Food Info & Registration!</u>

PCQI for Animal Food Training

February 8-10, 2022 • Bismarck ND

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A Preventive Controls Qualified Individual (PCQI) is responsible for the oversight or performance of:

- 1. Preparation of the Food Safety Plan,
- 2. Validation of the Preventive Controls Records Review,
- 3. Re-analysis of the Food Safety Plan, and
- 4. Other activities as appropriate for the type of food.

These three-day events will prepare you for the REQUIRED facility Food Safety Plan as well as ongoing verification of the plan.

Techniques & Concepts of Internal Auditing for GFSI Standards Emphasizing BRC, SQF, FCCS 22000

February 1-2, 2022 • Fargo, ND

SPECIAL DISCOUNTED RATE - \$445/person!

<u>Click here for Food Safety Internal Auditing Info & Registration!</u>

This training will comply with GFSI requirements for Internal Auditing, understanding these concepts will

provide an efficient process and cover the requirements of auditing food safety programs, will provide input for improvements, and demonstrate where food safety programs are strong.

South America Trade Mission

May 15-20, 2022

The 2022 Trade Americas, South America Trade Mission and Business Conference program offers U.S. companies the opportunity to explore eleven markets in South America: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, and Uruguay.

South America Trade Mission Information

Simply Cyber with Jennifer Kurtz Christmas List 2021: Naughty or Nice?



Here are deceptively easy questions: Who sees you when you're sleeping? Who sees when you're awake? Apparently, it's not just Santa Claus. Less benign groups than Santa and his elves are watching us and looking to enter our digital lives. In some cases, those we trust with our digital information are not as diligent as one would hope.

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The Celebration Doesn't End After Manufacturing Month

Manufacturing Month may be over, but many federal agencies celebrate and support U.S. manufacturing and manufacturers year-round! If you couldn't join the interagency Manufacturing Month series of fivewebinars hosted by the U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Commercial Service, Export-Import Bank of the United States (EXIM), Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP), and U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), here's a quick summary of how these agencies can help your company grow.

Manufacturing Support

Supply Chain Scouting System

Impact Dakota is partnering with NIST Manufacturing Extension Partnership (NIST MEP) and our nationwide network of 50 other MEP Centers across the U.S. and Puerto Rico to help solve supply chain gaps encountered by manufacturers, government entities, and critical service providers.

Do you have a gap? Are you able to fill a gap?

Please click on the button below to learn more about the system, or **CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE CURRENT LIST OF NEEDS!**

Learn About Supplier Scouting

How Healthy Is Your Organization?

Companies are challenged with continuously reducing cost, increasing flexibility, and decreasing lead times while still providing their customers with high-quality products. In an effort to help North Dakota's manufacturers, Impact Dakota is expanding its on-site, no-cost assessment of your manufacturing business to identify and discuss opportunities that can help with improved productivity of your resources. The approach to this assessment is based on principles of LEAN manufacturing which focuses on reduction of wastes helping companies achieve higher levels of productivity in their production and operations.

Manufacturing Health Assistance



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