



## ASC X12 Announces Interim Executive Director

**July 9, 2015, McLean, VA** - The Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) X12 announces the hiring of Cathy Sheppard, former ASC X12 Chair, as its Interim Executive Director.

"I am very pleased to announce the ASC X12 Board's selection for Executive Director," reported Jim Taylor, ASC X12 Board Chair. "Cathy brings leadership skills, a fresh approach to ASC X12 product lines and licensing, extensive knowledge of the organizational policies and procedures, and a deep commitment to EDI standardization with an appropriate level of continuity. She has served the organization diligently for many years as both a leader and technical contributor and has a breadth of perspective and experience."

Cathy's resume includes over 30 years of information technology, business analysis, process improvement and project management experience. She has served exceptionally as ASC X12 Chair since 2009, helping guide the organization during a significant period of transition.

"I have served ASC X12 in many capacities since 1994 and have enjoyed each experience and opportunity afforded me. My time as ASC X12 Chair has been a rewarding experience and I look forward to continuing to serve the ASC X12 membership in this new capacity," remarks Sheppard. "I am dedicated to this organization and to the proliferation of standard electronic interchanges and the improvements and efficiencies they bring to the business sector."

Since accepting the position of Interim Executive Director, Cathy has resigned as ASC X12 Chair and Vice-Chair Gary Beatty has moved into the ASC X12 Chair position. Mrs. Sheppard expressed her appreciation for Mr. Beatty's willingness to do so, saying "I'm confident that Gary will do a tremendous job for ASC X12 as Chair and that the organization will benefit from his leadership. Gary and I have always worked well together and we will both work diligently to ensure the organization's continued success."

### About ASC X12

ASC X12, chartered by the American National Standards Institute for more than 35 years, develops and maintains EDI and CICA standards along with XML schemas which drive business processes globally. The diverse membership of ASC X12 includes technologists and business process experts, encompassing health care, insurance, transportation, finance, government, supply chain and other industries.

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