ANAB Cannabis Accreditation Programs

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The ANSI National Accreditation Board (ANAB) provides accreditation and training to companies covering all facets of the cannabis industry. As the largest accreditation body in the western hemisphere, we provide cannabis programs for:

- Laboratory Testing
- Product/Process Certification
- Training Certificate Program
- Dietary Supplements
- PT Providers and RMPs
- Training Courses

We work directly with the United States government agencies to develop, implement, and maintain regulations. One of our roles is to help guide regulatory agencies and organizations through this process as it relates to accreditation requirements.

With ANAB, you can expect a seamless partnership approach that is suited to your cannabis-related needs. ANAB has vast experience in the rapidly growing cannabis and hemp industry built on ANSI’s 100-year history in standards development. With our global and domestic recognition, we provide the most comprehensive accreditation and training offerings for cannabis and hemp related organizations.

Throughout the accreditation process, ANAB focuses on customer needs while ensuring all accreditation requirements are met allowing your organization to focus on growing productivity, minimizing risk, and maximizing profitability. Our assessors and instructors are technically skilled and knowledgeable of the requirements as they pertain to the cannabis industry. The assessment activities are thorough and leverage technology driven efficiencies to minimize disruption to operations. ANAB’s multi-disciplinary team serves accredited testing laboratories, certification bodies, proficiency test providers, standards developers, and reference material producers involved with cannabis and cannabis-derived products. This is how working with ANAB makes the difference.
TESTING LABORATORIES (ISO/IEC 17025)

ANAB provides accreditation for laboratories that perform analytical testing of cannabis and cannabis-derived products, including oils, edibles, drinks, concentrates, flowers, butters, and waxes, and hemp and products derived from hemp. Testing of cannabis products is necessary to demonstrate that they are safe for consumption and free from harmful levels of contaminants.

ANAB is the only Accreditation Body recognized by FDA under the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA). Additionally, organizations seeking GMP, GLP, or AOAC accreditation in addition to ISO/IEC 17025 rely upon ANAB’s established supplemental requirements programs.

Remote assessment ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation for cannabis testing laboratories:

ANAB accredits cannabis testing laboratories to ISO/IEC 17025 for a variety of relevant tests, including:

- Cannabinoid testing, potency and content (e.g., THC, THCV, CBD, CBDV, CBG, CBC, and CBN)
- Terpene profile
- Pesticides and mycotoxins
- Microbiological contamination (e.g., mold and bacteria)
- Heavy metals
- Residual solvents
CANNABIS CERTIFICATE PROGRAM:

With an increased focus on the accreditation of organizations, the cannabis industry has naturally evolved to include the credentialing of personnel working in the industry. Certificate Programs in cannabis are growing in number and relevance to the cannabis industry.

The new Cannabis Certificate Accreditation Program (C-CAP) under the Certificate Accreditation Program (CAP) assesses and recognizes training and education certificate programs within the cannabis/hemp industries.

Accreditation under this program is based on:

- ANSI/ASTM E2659-18, Standard Practice for Certificate Programs, and
- ASTM D8403, Standard Practice for Certificate Programs within the Cannabis and Hemp Industries
- Plus, any additional state Responsible Vendor Training requirements

Note, ANAB does not provide the personnel certification training or certificates to individuals but accredits the organizations who provide cannabis personnel certificates.

RESPONSIBLE VENDOR TRAINING

Some states require that cannabis certificate programs adhere to specific statewide Responsible Vendor Training (RVT) requirements. Your RVT program can be accredited as a part of your cannabis certificate program accreditation.
The ANAB accreditation program for cannabis was launched in 2020 to provide attestation that the certification bodies are competent to provide certification in this area. Our accreditation program was developed around the requirements of ISO/IEC 17011 and ISO/IEC 17065. These are international standards developed by the ISO Committee on Conformity Assessment (CASCO) and are used in more than 100 countries.

With the exponential growth of the cannabis market and the continued availability of products containing cannabis in the mainstream marketplace, there is an immediate need for safety, conformance, and quality requirements. More and more discussions are being held related to certification of dispensaries, growers, and facilities involved in the production of cannabis and hemp containing foods and beverages.

States are recognizing audits conducted under schemes recognized by the Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI), illustrating that programs under ISO/IEC 17021 and ISO/IEC 17065 will be used for qualification of facilities in this industry.

ISO/IEC 17065 certification by competent certification bodies to cannabis scheme requirements combines the applicable international standards for the evaluation of products, processes or services in the cannabis industry.

ANAB is in development of two schemes for product certification in the cannabis industry. Cannabis Safety and Quality (CSQ) and PurityIQ.
CANNABIS TRAINING COURSES

No matter what accreditation is applicable to your operations, ANAB Training Institute has you covered! From testing and/or certification under ISO/IEC 17025 and ISO/IEC 17065, inspection under ISO/IEC 17020 as well as ASTM D8403-21 – Standard Practice for Certificate programs within the Cannabis and Hemp Industries we have training for all levels of personnel and base knowledge. The ANAB Training Institute has something for everyone, from free webinars and webcasts, to paid self-paced and instructor-led online training, to in person offerings.

Whether you want a private session for any of our existing offerings or need training tailored just for your organization, we can do that too!

Contract training@anab.org for details, including available discounts.

Having served the accreditation industry for over 30 years, our Expert Training provides Trusted Knowledge.

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