

# Press Release

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## **THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE WELCOMES ITS NEWEST CHAPTER, THE CENTRAL MASS CHAPTER**

Newtown Square, Pennsylvania USA – The Project Management Institute (PMI®), the world's leading not-for-profit professional association for project management, is proud to announce that it has chartered a new Chapter. The Project Management Institute chartered the Central Mass Chapter on April 9, 2003.

Participation in PMI's Component Organizations is an opportunity for PMI members to meet fellow project management practitioners in their geographical area, in their specific area of interest or industry, or in a specific knowledge area related to project management. There are three types of PMI Components: Chapters, Specific Interest Groups (SIGs) and Colleges.

PMI has nearly 300 chartered and potential chapters around the world. PMI Chapters are self-governing and are an invaluable resource for the exchange of ideas and information about project management tools and techniques. Chapters allow for PMI members to network with other members of their profession in their community.

Different from PMI Chapters, PMI Specific Interest Groups (SIGs) are virtual organizations that allow industry and interest-based networking. PMI Colleges are organizations that offer knowledge-based networking.

"PMI is excited to charter this new Chapter and help expand the network of project management practitioners and enthusiasts in the central Massachusetts area. The knowledge gained and shared by our membership will prove to be an invaluable resource to both PMI and its members," says Gregory Balestrero, PMI Chief Executive Officer.

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The mission of the new chapter is to advance the objectives of PMI by promoting project management professionalism within local businesses, universities, and professional organizations. More information about chapter activities and how to become involved can be found on the chapter website at [www.pmicmass.com](http://www.pmicmass.com).

Chapter President, Jim Baldinger, commented “We intend to help our members advance their expertise in the field of project management by providing a forum for networking with other professionals in the field, allowing participants to disseminate ideas and solutions to daily problems, and by offering educational speakers and programs at regularly scheduled events.”

## **About PMI:**

The Project Management Institute (PMI), with more than 100,000 members in 130 countries, is the world’s foremost authority for the project management profession. PMI sets industry standards, conducts research, and provides education, certification, and professional exchange opportunities, designed to strengthen and further establish the profession. PMI advances the careers of practitioners, while enhancing overall business and government performance through documentation of return on investment. For more information visit [www.pmi.org](http://www.pmi.org).

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