



## **MEETING LOG**

**SUBJECT:** ASTM F15.59 Children's Step Stools Warnings and Instructions Task Group Meeting

**FY 25 OP PLAN ENTRY:** Children's Folding Chairs and Stools

**DATE OF MEETING:** 12/4/2024

**LOCATION OF MEETING:** Virtual

**CPSC STAFF FILING MEETING LOG:** Stephen Harsanyi (ESHF)

**FILING DATE:** 12/10/2024

**CPSC ATTENDEE(S):** Brad Gordon (ESMC) and Stephen Harsanyi (ESHF)

**NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S):** Please contact ASTM for the full attendee list.

### **Summary of Meeting:**

The ASTM F15.59 Children's Step Stools Warnings and Instructions Task Group (TG) convened to work on the draft standard for children's step stools. The TG used, as a template, warning labels that CPSC staff previously drafted for children's standing towers. The TG discussed the design, reasonably foreseeable use, and expected end users of various styles of children's step stools as they developed draft requirements for safety messaging. The TG considered factors such as implications of standing surface height, use of guardrails and handrails, likelihood of caregiver supervision, standardized warnings for adult step stools (per ANSI A14.11 – 2018) and Full-Size Cribs (ASTM F1169-19; 16 CFR Part 1219), implications of child development, impacts of warning exhaustion (consequences of being too verbose or having too many warning statements), effectiveness of vivid and "scary" language, where and how to address loose components and instability, and how to address the amputation hazard.

### **Next Steps:**

The TG plans to present its recommendations to the greater ASTM F15.59 Children's Step Stools and Standing Towers TG Meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 5, 2024, from 3 PM to 4:30 PM, ET.