



Skanska promotes Colonna to vice president of prefab operations

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Skanska USA has promoted Anthony Colonna to VP of prefabrication operations.

In his five years at Skanska, Colonna has led Skanska's efforts to develop and implement new technology in construction as national director of innovation.

He will work with Skanska's business development, preconstruction and operations teams to implement prefabrication and modular construction techniques on Skanska's projects throughout the U.S. Skanska has demonstrated these methods can deliver client value by reducing time and schedule on projects, cost savings and enhancing construction worker safety.

"Tony has helped Skanska transform prefabrication into a business model that brings value to our clients and presents growth opportunities for us," said Bill Flemming, president & CEO of Skanska USA Building. "As a result of Tony's leadership, Skanska has established itself as an industry leader in prefabrication. I am confident he will continue to advance our effort in producing a safer, more productive and more cost effective job sites for our clients."

As national director for Skanska USA's Innovation Group, Colonna's contributions have helped Skanska deliver cutting edge construction methods and technologies, all geared toward client needs. Skanska's prefabrication experience spans across multiple industries, including healthcare, residential and mission critical. For example, Skanska recently broke ground in Brooklyn, N.Y. on B2, the tallest modular residential building in the U.S., with Forest City Ratner Companies. Additionally, Skanska is currently prefabricating many internal features, such as above-ceiling mechanical racks, patient and treatment headwalls, medical gas zone valve boxes, work stations and bathroom pods at the Nemours/Alfred I. DuPont Hospital for Children in Wilmington, Del. Skanska also completed TELUS' newest data center in Rimouski, Quebec in record time as a result of the utilizing prefabrication.

Colonna was instrumental in establishing programs and initiatives to encourage new thinking and reward employee creativity around problem solving for clients. For example, Colonna was on the team that launched the company's Innovation Grant Program, which dedicates resources and financial support to encourage employees to develop new ideas and technologies that make jobsites more efficient and allow clients to take occupancy of their buildings sooner. Through the Innovation Grant Program, Skanska has developed several proprietary apps, such as a product called the inSite Monitor, an iOS app that measures environmental conditions at jobsites in real-time 24/7, and reduces the impacts of construction in active hospital settings.

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