## Katie Hahnel Dietz, Sourcing Director Standard Textiles, Cincinnati, OH



## BIO:

Katie Dietz is the Sourcing Director at Standard Textile, a leading provider of linens and textile products for the hospitality and healthcare markets. Katie joined the company in 2017 as a Sourcing Analyst and has since been promoted to Supervisor, Manager, and Director within the Sourcing Division. With both a Master's and Bachelor's degree in Merchandising, Textiles, and Apparel, she specializes in sourcing textile raw materials and finished goods from over 25 countries. During her graduate studies, Katie was the Textile Lab Supervisor. She gained valuable experience collaborating with industry leaders such as Haier, Cotton Incorporated, Procter & Gamble, and Fruit of the Loom. Passionate about sustainability and innovation, she plays a pivotal role in ensuring Standard Textile delivers high-quality solutions while navigating complex global supply chains.

## **JOB DESCRIPTION:**

Katie works out of Standard Textile's world headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio, where she leads a team of Sourcing Analysts focused on product development and global supply chain management. Katie collaborates closely with her US-based and international coworkers to build strong partnerships and ensure efficient sourcing processes. In recent years, amid significant global supply chain challenges, she emphasizes the importance of generating cost savings and identifying innovative solutions to enhance operational efficiency, helping her team navigate complexities while meeting the evolving needs of the business. Katie and her team work to support R&D endeavors by partnering with suppliers to deliver new innovations for a variety of product lines such as sheets, towels, robes, filled bedding, patient and staff apparel, reusable PPE and more!