



Conference Agenda
“Tools and Strategies for Today’s Auditor”
New England Intergovernmental Audit Forum (NEIAF)
November 8-9, 2018, Westin Portland Harborview

Thursday, November 8, 2018

7:30 – 8:15

Registration and Networking Breakfast

8:15 – 8:30

Opening Remarks: Maureen Duddy, Chair, NEIAF; Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General

8:30 – 10:00

Ethics for Government Auditors

Jim Lager, Deputy Ethics Counselor, U.S. Government Accountability Office

Learning objectives: This presentation will cover insights from behavioral ethics research that can help auditors maintain independence, and design internal control and other systems that are more likely to encourage ethical, and not just compliant result.

Moderator: **Joan Mahagan**, Assistant Director/Field Office Manager, U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), Boston, MA

10:00 – 10:20

Networking Break

10:20 – 11:40

Integrating Data Analytics into the Audit Process

Penny Dillon, Director of Data Analytics, Office of the State Auditor, Massachusetts

Rob Birmingham, Data Analytics Manager, Office of the State Auditor, Massachusetts

Learning objectives: Data analytics has become an increasingly important and vital role in the audit process. This presentation will discuss how to enhance audit quality and gain efficiencies in your audit methodology by utilizing data analytics to align resources, set priorities and devise strategies to meet the audit objectives.

Moderator: **Ken Woodland**, First Deputy Auditor, Office of the State Auditor, Massachusetts

11:40 – 12:40

Networking Lunch

12:40 – 2:00

Statistical Sampling

Stacie Last, Statistical Sampling Specialist, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General

Learning objectives: This presentation will allow participants to gain an appreciation of the role statistical sampling plays in auditing, as well as become familiar with applying basic statistical sampling principles and procedures in the audit environment (e.g., sample design, sample-size determination, and how to appraise and present the audit results). Session will include a practical demonstration using Excel and RAT STATS (HHS-OIG-Office of Audit Services’ sampling software).

Moderator: **Stephen Conway**, Director, Advanced Audit Techniques, Office of Audit Services, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General



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2:00 – 2:15	Networking Break
2:15 – 3:45	<p><u>What You Need to Know about Auditing Standards</u></p> <p>Dan Bonnette, Partner, RSM</p> <p>Learning objectives: This presentation will cover the most important updates to the Yellow Book and how they will impact federal, state, and local financial professionals. This will include updates on potential change in audit reports, auditor involvement with exempt offerings, and other relevant issues.</p> <p>Moderator: Ben Howe, Audit Manager, Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Inspector General</p>
3:45 – 4:45	Frederick A. Beebe Networking Reception

Friday, November 9, 2018

8:00 – 8:45	Networking Breakfast
8:45 – 8:50	<p>Opening Remarks: Maureen Duddy, Chair, NEIAF; Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General</p>
8:50 – 10:20	<p><u>Managing Up</u></p> <p>Eric Gregory, Training and Workforce Development Division, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General</p> <p>Learning objectives: Participants will learn how to define courageous followership and gain knowledge about the need for effective followers. Participants will also be able to identify key followership behaviors in the workplace.</p> <p>Moderator: Maureen Duddy, Chair, NEIAF; Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General</p>
10:20 – 10:35	Networking Break
10:35 – 11:55	<p><u>Cyber Security</u></p> <p>Rick Gamache, Senior Consultant, BerryDunn</p> <p>Learning objectives: This session will address the new challenges in cybersecurity, whether anyone is immune to cyberattacks, what more auditors can do to make impactful recommendations that cause government to better protect constituents from cyberattacks. Participants will learn about new cyberattacks, the areas in which organizations are most vulnerable, and what auditors should look for to ensure that their recommendations are useful and impactful.</p> <p>Moderator: Maureen Duddy, Chair, NEIAF; Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General</p>
11:55 – 12:00	<p>Closing Remarks: Maureen Duddy, Chair, NEIAF; Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General</p>

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