



2024 State Auditor's Continuing Professional Education Series

Virtual Seminar

8:15 AM – 4:15 PM Thursday, August 8, 2024

\$135 per person - 8 Hours Yellow Book CPE Credit

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER - registration deadline 08/06/2024

Suitable for auditors at all levels of experience. No prerequisite required.

Seminar Description

- 1. Compliance Testing for Single Audits (2 hours) This course will help accounting firms better plan their audits of governmental and nonprofit entities under the Uniform Guidance. We will focus on the relationship between the requirements of US GAAS, Government Auditing Standards (Yellow Book), and the Single Audit Act (Uniform Guidance). This course provides you with the knowledge to be more efficient and effective at planning and performing audits in accordance with the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and the Single Audit Act. It is designed to address the common issues auditors have with testing compliance. We'll look at the differences between testing controls and substantive testing as well as sampling and the impact of dual-purpose samples to improve efficiency and effectiveness of Single Audits.
- 2. Internal Controls Over Compliance vs Compliance (2 hours) Based on an AICPA Enhancing Audit Quality study, 23% of all single audits subject to enhanced oversight were materially non-conforming with professional standards due to failure to properly test controls over compliance. This course will provide an overview of internal controls over compliance specifically related to Single Audits. We will discuss how to apply the concept of internal controls to various compliance requirements. A common finding in the audits of governmental entities receiving federal grants is the misidentification of controls and mistaking compliance for a control. Attendees will focus on differentiating between compliance versus controls over compliance.
- 3. Assessing Control Risk Under AU-C 315 (2 hours) The AICPA has identified that one in ten audit firms are not compliant with the risk assessment standards. One of the major issues identified by peer reviewers is failure to properly document controls under AU-C 315. This course will cover how to properly document the auditor's assessment of internal controls including walk-throughs. We will discuss the difference between identifying controls, assessing whether controls have been implemented and testing operating effectiveness. In longer courses, the course will also address the recent changes to the risk assessment standards in SAS 145.
- 4. Auditing Sampling Best Practices (2 hours) Learn how to determine appropriate sample sizes, select and evaluate those samples for performing audit procedures. This course will cover proper sampling techniques for both testing of internal controls over financial reporting as well as substantive testing. We'll also cover Monetary Unit Sampling as a method of statistical sampling. We'll also discuss how to automate sampling to improve audit effectiveness and efficiency.

Course Objectives

You will be able to:

- Describe the differences between testing internal controls over compliance and substantively testing compliance.
- Design effective and efficient methods to test compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major program.
- Properly document internal controls over compliance in conformity with the Uniform Guidance.
- Compare ICFR with ICOC.
- Identify common internal controls found in smaller entities.
- Perform internal control documentation compliant with the audit standards.
- Describe attribute sampling for tests of controls.
- Perform Monetary Unit Sampling.
- Define a sample per AU-C 530.



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