CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF STATE AUDITORS



Quarterly Newsletter

May 2017

Message from the President

Greetings Members!

It is hard to believe that we are five months into 2017 and summer will soon be upon us. The new year has brought new members to our Board. We are hoping this change will bring fresh and exciting ideas to CASA. We are looking for innovative ways to bring training to our members, as well as, changing up our curriculum to match current hot topics presented by dynamic speakers.

We look forward to seeing you all at our next breakfast meeting and at future trainings.

Regards,

Roberto

What's New?

Upcoming CASA
Breakfast Meeting

<u>Data Analytics</u>

Hyatt Regency
May 25th
8:00 AM

CASA Board

<u>President</u>

Roberto Zavala

Vice President

Jennifer Whitaker

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Continuing Professional Education

How many training hours do I need to be compliant with audit standards? While most organizations have training policies that cover basic training needs, there is always the specialized discipline that must meet their own standard. For example, the most referenced Continuing Professional Education (CPE) standard for auditors is 80 hours of audit training every two-years with at least 20 hours in one of the two years and 24 of the 80 hours needs to be government related. In my experience, this is the training policy that most internal audit offices adopted.

Where did this standard come from? According to the latest Generally Accepted Government Auditing (GAGAS) Standards, 2011 (i.e., Yellow Book), section 3.76, "Continuing Professional Education" it states that "...each auditor performing work in accordance with GAGAS should complete, every 2 years, at least 24 hours of CPE that directly relates to government auditing, the government environment, or the specific or unique environment in which the audited entity operates. Auditors who are involved in any amount of planning, directing, or reporting on GAGAS audits and auditors who are not involved in those activities but charge 20 percent or more of their time annually to GAGAS audits should also obtain at least an additional 56 hours of CPE (for a total of 80 hours of CPE in every 2-year period) that enhances the auditor's professional proficiency to perform audits.

Auditors required to take the total 80 hours of CPE should complete at least 20 hours of CPE in each year of the 2-year periods."

CASA's training program is geared to help auditors and their organizations achieve compliance with CPE standards. We offer a monthly class consisting of 8 CPE credits. This means that if one takes 10 CASA classes every two years and with at least 3 classes in one year, you should be compliant with training standards.



New Training Facility

May and June classes will be held at the Embassy Suites in downtown Sacramento.

Tell us what you think! A new location brings a new menu.

We hope you enjoy the change!

Membership

Interested in joining CASA? Membership is open to all auditors, accountants, and state employees.

- No membership fees
- No membership dues

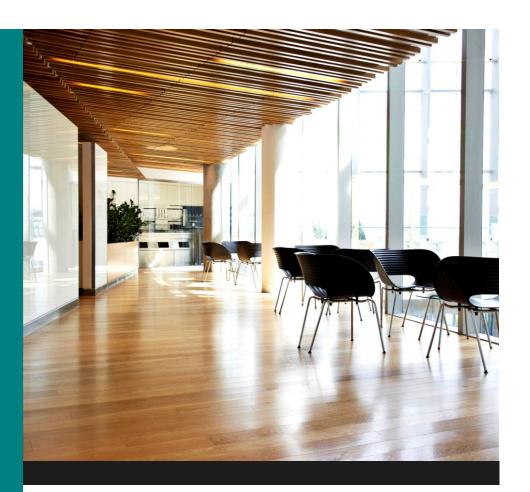
Contact Info

Got questions?

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Upcoming Training

Performance Auditing 101

June 5, 2017

IT For Non-IT Auditors

July 17, 2017

Fraud Risk Assessment

August 14, 2017

Click <u>HERE</u> to Register for upcoming courses!