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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Fiscal Year!

Please join our team! CASA is recruiting for a Training Coordinator to assist with bringing value-added training to our membership. It is a great opportunity to network with other auditors and skilled audit trainers. The time commitment includes monthly CASA Board meetings, and training coordination with trainers and CASA's Executive Director. See the Volunteer Opportunities for additional information.

Help make a difference and join our team!



FEEDBACK WANTED

If you are in need of specific training topics or are aware of great presenters, please let us know!

CASA is committed to bringing you the best training possible.

Send us feedback at:

CASAuditors@gmail.com



Cheryl McCormick
CASA President



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CASA Team

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- Lisa Negri Peer Review
- David Shockey
 Peer Review
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The year is halfway over and it's time for the Peer Review team to plan for the upcoming 2023 peer reviews.

We are seeking motivated volunteers to participate. Participating in a peer review is a great opportunity for leaders within the State of California audit community to exchange ideas about best practices and learn from each other, while helping audit units meet their external assessment requirement. The time commitment is less than you might think and taking a deeper dive into the standards can really elevate your audit game!

We encourage you to apply by submitting a completed nomination form located at www.casa1.org./review to the peer review coordinators.

Management and licensed professionals (CPA, CIA, CGAP, etc.) are strongly encouraged to apply.

WANT TO KNOW MORE? VISIT WWW.CASA1.ORG/FAQS

HAVE QUESTIONS? CONTACT OUR CASA PEER REVIEW COORDINATORS:

Mary.Camacho@dof.ca.gov, David.Shockey@dof.ca.gov, or Lisa.Negri@energy.ca.gov

IN-PERSON TRAINING

The scheduled in-person training for the July training has been postponed. The training will now be hosted online.

If you have any questions, send an email to CASAuditors@gmail.com.



Free Peer Review Training

On August 9, 2022, from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm, CASA will be offering 4 hours of **FREE CPE**. Yellow Book and Redbook require audit organizations to obtain peer reviews. This Peer Review training will cover:

How Peer Reviews are conducted

• Peer Review roles and responsibilities

CASA's part in the Peer Review process

Who should attend: Specialists, Audit supervisors, Audit managers, and Audit chiefs

Recommended CPE: 4 hours of governmental

Program Level: Advanced

Location: 300 Zoom and 30 in-person (915 L Street, Sacramento Cedar Room)

Registration: Register in advance for a Zoom slot here.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Sign up, slots are filling up fast! Register Now!!

For an in-person slot, send an email to CASAuditors@gmail.com.



Location: Online

(1 day course)

Monday, July 18, 2022 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Cost \$350.00

DESCRIPTION:

The audit profession is one of many that is slow to embrace change. For a profession that focuses on operational auditing (efficiency, economy, effectiveness), many audit shops do not have these E's optimized. The subject of Agile Auditing has become an emerging topic in our industry. Many of the basic premises of Agile Auditing are things that all audit shops should be doing. Regardless, GoldSRD has taken the basics of Agile Auditing and applied the standards that all GoldSRD attendees are accustomed to: continuous communication, strong relationships and a transparent audit process. Spend the day with us learning the Gold Standard for Agile Auditing!

Register by email to CASAuditors@gmail.com



Auditing to Support an Audit Finding

(4 CPE)

Instructor: Leita Hart-Fanta

Location: Online

(1 day course)

Monday, August 29, 2022 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Cost \$200.00

DESCRIPTION:

Do you audit first and worry about the report at the end of the project? Maybe you've realized that no amount of editing will fix a finding that went off the rails. In this course, we will look at the critical components of an audit report and how to create them – as you audit – so that the reporting process is easy – and dare we say it? – fun!

Frequent references to performance audit standards promulgated by the IIA and the GAO will keep us grounded.

COURSE OBJECTIVES INCLUDE:

- Generate concise and logical findings in an hour or less
- Choose methodologies that support performance audit report conclusions and findings
- Choose the strongest content for your finding
- Draft your audit findings and imagine your conclusions at the end of planning
- Format the risk assessment so that it generates critical information for your report
- Recognize dangerous tone and language
- Establish expectations and guidelines for creating a compelling finding
- Focusing the report conclusion on a finite, answerable objective

Register by email to CASAuditors@gmail.com



Extreme Risk Based Auditing

(8 CPE)

Instructor: Raven Catlin

Location: TBD

(1 day course)

Monday, September 19, 2022 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Cost \$350.00

DESCRIPTION:

Risk based audits are the leading method for performing value-added Internal Audits. This course is designed to teach the skills necessary to perform effective and efficient risk-based audits. Participants will have hands on experience preparing a risk-based audit program, including risk-based audit scoping and control identification & testing techniques. We will also explore in-depth concepts for efficient risk-based audits, including sampling strategies, using technology and gaining corrective actions. This is extreme risk based auditing and participants will be challenged to learn, select, apply the 6 key differences between this method and all others to incorporate into their audit methodology.

COURSE OBJECTIVES INCLUDE:

At the end of this program, attendees will be able to:

- Prepare an effective audit program
- Differentiate between risk based testing and standard testing
- Test controls in risk based auditing
- Communicate residual risk based audit results



<u>Government Auditing Standards (Yellow Book) 4.16</u>: "Auditors who plan, direct, perform engagement procedures for, or report on an engagement conducted in accordance with GAGAS should develop and maintain their professional competence by completing at least 80 hours of CPE in every 2 year period..."

International Professional Practices Framework Standard 1230 (Redbook): "Continuing Professional Development-Internal auditors must enhance their knowledge, skills, and other competencies through continuing professional development.

Earning CPEs in Remote Training

CASA has a responsibility to monitor individual attendance to assign the correct number of CPE credits.

- For online courses, participants are required to logon with their personally issued link and engage in the designated interactivity elements for attendance (a minimum of 3 times per hour to receive the full credit). A participant's self-certification of attendance alone is not sufficient.
- Participants that do not receive the video conferencing link information, or are experiencing any issues, should email CASAuditors@gmail.com. We are unable to grant CPE if you have technical difficulties and cannot participate or complete polling questions.
- Late arrivals, early departures, or missed course instruction time will result in a proration of CPE credits. If participants anticipate missing any of the course, they should see the course monitor at a live course or email CASAuditors@gmail.com as soon as possible.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Training Coordination

Looking to make a difference for auditors within California? Are you creative and attentive to the skills needed to take auditing to the next level? CASA is looking for someone who would like to take on the opportunity to help develop and assist with our training schedule for the next fiscal year. This will get you experience with not only working with skilled experience audit trainers, but also the opportunity to network with many other auditors.

If you are interested contact us at CASAuditors@gmail.com



Membership is open to all auditors, accountants, and state employees.

No membership fees!



Auditors are in demand! Check out the postings below and <u>calcareers.ca.gov</u> for complete details.

Staff Services Management Auditor, JC-313684

FFD: 7/5/2022

Posting located here.

-Department of Health Care Services

Staff Services Management Auditor, JC-313535

FFD: 7/6/2022

Posting located here.

-Department of Social Services

Staff Services Management Auditor, JC-314334

FFD: 7/12/2022
Posting located here.
-Department of Insurance

Associate Management Auditor, JC-306683

FFD: Until Filled Posting located here.

-Department of Transportation

Associate Management Auditor, JC-313070

FFD: 7/7/2022

Posting located here.

-Department of Motor Vehicles

Associate Management Auditor, JC-312790

FFD: 7/12/2022

Posting located <u>here</u>.

-Department of Motor Vehicles

Associate Management Auditor, JC-304689

FFD: 7/20/2022

Posting located here.

-Department of General Services

Do you have a position you want to advertise? Let us know and we will advertise to the CASA membership. Please email us at:

CASAuditors@gmail.com

