



**Pacific Northwest
Intergovernmental Audit Forum
Spring 2007 – Tacoma Sheraton
Conference Agenda**

Wednesday • March 7 • 2007

		Room
12:00 – 1:00	Conference Registration	Tacoma Ballroom 1st Floor
1:00 – 1:10	Welcome <i>Scottie Nix, Director of Internal Audit, City of Tacoma, Tacoma Washington</i>	Tacoma Ballroom
	Announcements <i>Susan Cohen, Chair, PNIAF, Seattle City Auditor, Seattle, Washington</i>	
1:10 – 2:20	Conducting Performance Audits in Washington State: A Status Report <i>Linda Long, Director of Performance Audit, Washington State Auditors Office, Olympia, Washington</i>	Tacoma Ballroom
	Engaging Washington’s Citizens in Government Performance Audits <i>Stuart Elway, President, Elway Research, Seattle, Washington</i>	
2:20 – 2:40	Networking and Break	Tacoma Ballroom
2:40 -- 3:40	A Status Report on Washington’s Government Management Accountability and Performance Initiative <i>Larisa Benson, Director, GMAP Program, Olympia, Washington</i>	Tacoma Ballroom
3:40 – 4:00	Networking and Break	Tacoma Ballroom
4:00 -- 5:00	The Role of Risk Assessment in Audit Organizations <i>Drummond Kahn, Director of Audit Services, City of Portland, Oregon</i>	Tacoma Ballroom
5:00 – 6:30	Reception	Tacoma Ballroom

7:15 – 8:00	Continental Breakfast	Bicentennial Pavilion D 4th Floor
8:00 – 9:30	Auditing Performance Measures: An Intergovernmental Perspective <i>Jackie Nowicki, Assistant Director, Strategic Issues, U.S. Government Accountability Office, Washington, D.C.</i> <i>Jan Jutte, Deputy Director of Audit, Office of the State Auditor, State of Washington, Olympia, Washington</i> <i>Ron Perry, PhD, Deputy County Auditor, King County Auditor's Office, Seattle, Washington</i>	Bicentennial Pavilion A
9:30 – 9:45	Networking and Break	Bicentennial Pavilion A
9:45 – 10:45	Auditing Capital Projects in Puget Sound <i>Mary Denzel, Assistant City Auditor, Office of the Seattle City Auditor, Seattle, Washington</i> <i>Ron Perry, PhD, Deputy County Auditor, King County Auditor's Office, Seattle, Washington</i>	Bicentennial Pavilion A
10:45 – 11:00	Networking Break	
11:00 – 12:00	Computer Analysis Techniques for Auditing High Risk Programs <i>Quan Thai, Assistant Director, Financial Management and Assurance, U.S. Government Accountability Office, Seattle, Washington</i> <i>Debbie Taylor, Jackson County Auditor and Board Member, PNIAF, Medford, Oregon</i>	Bicentennial Pavilion A
12:00 – 1:15	Lunch	Bicentennial Pavilion D
1:15 – 2:15	Why Medicaid is a High Risk Program <i>Katherine M. Iritani, Assistant Director, Health Care Team, U.S. Government Accountability Office, Seattle, Washington</i> <i>Gary McDonald, Investigator, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, Washington State Office of the Attorney General, Olympia, Washington</i>	Bicentennial Pavilion A

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2:15 – 2:30	Networking Break	Bicentennial Pavilion A
2:30 – 3:30	Financial Forensics and the Public Sector <i>Darrell Dorrell, CPA, Principal, Financial Forensics, Lake Oswego, Oregon</i>	Bicentennial Pavilion A
3:30 – 3:45	Networking Break	Bicentennial Pavilion A
3:45 – 5:00	Performance Audit Roundtable #1	Bicentennial Pavilion B
3:45 – 5:00	Performance Audit Roundtable #2	Bicentennial Pavilion C
3:45 – 5:00	Financial/IT/Compliance Audit Roundtable	Bicentennial Executive Boardroom 2nd floor

7:15 – 8:00	Continental Breakfast	Bicentennial Pavilion D
8:00 – 9:50	Linking Analytic Techniques and Audit Findings <i>Jim Pellegrini, Deputy Legislative Auditor for Performance Audits, Legislative Audit Division, State of Montana, Helena, Montana</i> This session will provide an overview of selected analytic and evaluation techniques; a discussion of quality assurance procedures; and how to ensure analysis is conducted and presented simply and effectively. Through discussion and case studies, this interactive session will provide techniques for moving from analysis to insight and presentation. It will serve as a refresher of some of the more common analytic techniques used by auditors that are still simple yet powerful tools in audit/evaluation.	Bicentennial Pavilion A
9:50 – 10:10	Networking Break	Bicentennial Pavilion A
10:10 – 11:00	How Auditors Can Deal with “Scope Creep” <i>Jim Pellegrini, Deputy Legislative Auditor for Performance Audits, Legislative Audit Division, State of Montana, Helena, Montana</i> Are the scope and breadth of your audits spinning out of control? Using the concepts of best problem definition, framing the question, and evaluating assumptions, this session will identify the causes and propose solutions for addressing scope creep in an audit/evaluation environment.	Bicentennial Pavilion A
11:00 – 11:10	Networking Break	Bicentennial Pavilion A
11:10 – 12:00	How Auditors Can Deal with “Scope Creep” (continued)	Bicentennial Pavilion A
12:00	Closing Remarks and Adjournment	