



Western Intergovernmental Audit Forum

Winter 2007 Conference

Westin Bonaventure Hotel

Los Angeles, California

Final Conference Agenda

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	Registration and Continental Breakfast	Room
7:15 – 8:00		San Gabriel B& C
8:00 – 8:05	Welcome and Announcements <i>Melanie Chesney, 2007 Chair, WAIF and Director, Performance Audit, Arizona Office of the Auditor General Phoenix, Arizona</i>	San Gabriel B& C
8:05 – 8:35	Transforming the City of Los Angeles Controller's Office <i>Laura Chick, Los Angeles City Controller, Los Angeles, California</i>	San Gabriel B& C
8:35 – 9:25	Accountability Issues Across the Globe: From Iraq to Tsunami Relief <i>Jacquelyn Williams-Bridgers, Managing Director, International Affairs and Trade, U.S. Government Accountability Office, Washington D.C.</i>	San Gabriel B& C
9:25–9:45	Networking Break	San Gabriel B& C
9:45 –11:00	Update on Forensic Auditing: Case Studies of Housing and Mortgage Lending Frauds <i>James Hoogian, Senior Forensic Auditor, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Inspector General, Los Angeles, California</i> <i>Tony Putzulu, Supervisory Forensic Auditor, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Inspector General, Los Angeles, California</i> <i>James Secord, Deputy District Attorney, San Bernardino County, San Bernardino, California</i>	San Gabriel B& C

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11:00 – 11:15	Networking Break	San Gabriel B& C
11:15 – 12:00	Performance and Financial Audit Issues with the City of Los Angeles Building and Safety Department <i>Rick Deguchi and Cynthia Varela, Chief Auditors, Office of the Los Angeles City Controller, Los Angeles, California</i>	San Gabriel B& C
12:00 – 1:15	Lunch	San Gabriel A
1:15 – 2:15	Improving Audit Efficiency: Fifteen Tools for Success <i>Drummond Kahn, Director of Audit Services, City of Portland, Oregon</i>	San Gabriel B& C
2:15 – 2:30	Networking Break	
2:30 – 3:30	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>David Botelho, Deputy Director, Audits and Investigations, California Department of Health Services, Sacramento, California</i>	
3:30 – 3:45	Networking Break	
3:45 – 5:00	Performance Audits Roundtable	San Pedro
3:45 – 5:00	Financial, Compliance, and IT Audit Roundtable	San Fernando
5:00 – 6:30	Reception	Santa Gabriel A

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7:15 – 8:00	Continental Breakfast	San Gabriel B& C
8:00 – 9:50	Five Concurrent Themes for Success in an Audit Organization This session will provide participants with a systematic approach to analyzing a given task so that things get done right. The themes for success include the elements of Risk Management, Systems, Customer Service, Accountability and Integrity. Together these themes provide a checklist approach for effective project management and enhanced organizational performance. <i>Gordon J. Graham, President, Graham Research Consultants, Long Beach, California</i>	San Gabriel B& C
9:50 – 10:10	Networking Break	San Gabriel B& C
10:10 – 11:00	Improving Your Performance Providing Testimony This is a building block approach designed to give either the veteran or novice audit official specific steps for improving performance when testifying before legislative bodies or in a court room setting. Attendees will receive a copy of Graham's rules for the Enhancement of Courtroom Testimony. <i>Gordon J. Graham, President, Graham Research Consultants, Long Beach, California</i>	San Gabriel B& C
11:00 – 11:10	Networking Break	San Gabriel B& C
11:10 – 12:00	Improving Your Performance Providing Testimony (continued)	San Gabriel B& C
12:00	Concluding Remarks and Adjournment	San Gabriel B& C