

JAN I. SYLVIS was appointed chief of accounts for the state of Tennessee in 1995, providing the controller function for the state. As chief of accounts, she manages the operations of the Division of Accounts in the Department of Finance and Administration. The division maintains the state's centralized accounting system, processes state payments and payroll, prepares the state's financial statements, administers the Cash Management Improvement Act, and develops state accounting policy.

On July 1, 2007, Ms. Sylvis was appointed to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. She is a past president of the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers and a past president of the National Association of State Comptrollers. In addition, Ms. Sylvis has served as a member of the AICPA's Government and Not-For-Profit Expert Panel.

In 2002 Ms. Sylvis was awarded the Association of Government Accountants' Frank L. Greathouse Distinguished Leadership Award. In 2003 she received the President's Award from NASACT. NASC presented Ms. Sylvis with its President's Award in 2005. Ms. Sylvis is a certified public accountant and a certified government financial manager.