

Draft Program for the 2024 NASC Annual Conference
March 13-15, 2024

Day/Time	Event / Session / Moderator	Topics	Speakers
Tuesday, March 12			
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.	Reception and live bluegrass music		
Wednesday, March 13			
7:00 – 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast buffet		
8:00 – 8:10 a.m.	Welcome: Cheryl Grey, NASC President		Cheryl Grey, Administrator, State Financial Services Division – MT
8:10 – 9:00 a.m. (50 min)	Session A Moderator: Cheryl Grey, Administrator, State Financial Services Division – MT	State IT Today: CIO Priorities, Trends and Perspectives Field of Study: Information Technology	Doug Robinson, Executive Director, National Association of State Chief Information Officers
9:05 – 9:55 a.m. (50 min)	Session B Moderator: Brandon Woolf, State Controller – ID	Real Talk: GenAI in the Public Sector Field of Study: Information Technology	Doug Cotnoir, State Controller – ME William McNamara, Comptroller – MA Stacy Neal, Director of Accounting – MO Ryan Oakes, Global Health and Public Service Industry Lead, Accenture
9:55 – 10:15 a.m.	Break		
10:15– 11:05 a.m. (50 min)	Session C Moderator: Heather Boyd, Director – MI	Modern OCM: A People-Centric Approach to Government Transformation Field of Study: Information Technology	Kathleen Baxter, State Comptroller – AL Doug Cotnoir, State Controller – ME Elissa Goad, Director, Go to Market Strategy, CGI
11:05 – 11:20 a.m.	Break		
11:20 a.m.– 12:10 p.m. (50 min)	Session D Moderator: Stacie Massey, Deputy Director, Grants and Financial Reporting – OH	Implementing and Adopting a Grants Management System Field of Study: Accounting (Governmental)	Dotty Pascale, State Controller – RI Mitch Thompson, Digital Growth Director, CLA
12:10 – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch buffet		

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1:15 – 2:55 p.m. (100 min)	Comptrollers' Roundtable 1: Federal-State Issues Moderator: Bob Jaros, State Controller – CO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Federal issues discussion Clean Energy tax credits SWCAP approvals Audits of federal funds SEFA reporting Field of Study: Accounting (Governmental)	
2:55 – 3:15 p.m.	Break		
3:15 – 4:05 p.m. (50 min)	Session E Moderator: Kimberly Williams, Deputy CFO/Controller – DC	Internal Controls Throughout the Software Implementation Life Cycle Field of Study: Accounting (Governmental)	Rachael Krizanek, Director of Internal Controls and Policy, State Accounting Office – GA Julie Beecher, Advisory Managing Director, Deloitte
4:05 – 4:20 p.m.	Break		
4:20 – 5:10 p.m. (50 min)	Session F Moderator: Rob Hamilton, Manager of Statewide Accounting – OR	GASB Update Field of Study: Accounting (Governmental)	Joel Black, Chairman, GASB Alan Skelton, Director of Research & Technical Activities, GASB Kris Knight, Deputy Secretary of State (DE) & GASB Board Member
6:30 – 7:00 p.m.	Reception		
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	<u>Banquet</u> Presiding: Cheryl Grey, Administrator, State Financial Services Division – MT and President of NASC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction of the Executive Committee Acknowledgement of sponsors Presentation of awards 		
Immediately following	Networking and Desserts		

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7:00 – 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast buffet		
8:00 – 8:40 a.m. (40 min)	Session G Moderator: Joe McDaniel, State Controller – KY	Strategic Planning in State Comptroller's Functions Field of Study: Accounting (Governmental)	Philip Olsen, State Accounting Administrator – NE Charles Burton, State and Local Leader, EY
8:45 – 9:25 a.m. (40 min)	Session H Moderator: Doug Cotnoir, State Controller – ME	Recruiting and Retention Challenges Field of Study: Accounting (Governmental)	Kathleen Baxter, State Comptroller – AL Angela Thomas, State Controller – WI Jessica Dunyon, Solution Marketing Director, Infor
9:25 – 9:45 a.m.	Break		
9:45 – 10:35 a.m. (50 min)	Session I Moderator: Paul Moore, Assistant Commissioner – MN	Increasing efficiency and reducing risk in the back office with Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Field of Study: Information Technology	Stacy Neal, Director of Accounting – MO Marty Benison, Industry Executive Director, State & Local Government, Oracle Brian Pawlus, Senior Director, Product Management, Oracle
10:35 – 10:50 a.m.	Break		
10:50 – 11:30 a.m. (40 min)	Session J Moderator: Dotty Pascale, State Controller – RI	Lessons learned from implementing cloud ERP solutions, are you ready? Field of Study: Information Technology	Christopher Kratzen, Deputy Director, General Accounting Division – MD Tony Hernandez, Principal, Finance Transformation, KPMG
11:35 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. (40 min)	Session K Moderator: William McNamara, Comptroller of the Commonwealth – MA	Getting Ready for FDTA Field of Study: Accounting (Governmental)	Mike Belarmino, Senior Policy Advisor, Government Finance Officers Association Joel Black, Chairman, GASB Rob Hamilton, Manager of Statewide Accounting – OR Stephanie Leiser, Lecturer, University of Michigan Eric Berman, Partner – Government Advisory Services, Eide Bailly
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1:20 – 2:35 p.m.	Comptrollers' Roundtable 2: Operational Effectiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyber insurance • Internal loan funds/programs • Outsourcing accounting preparation • ERP project staffing strategies 	
(75 min)	Moderator: Rob Hamilton, Manager of Statewide Accounting – OR	Field of Study: Accounting (Governmental)	
2:35 – 2:55 p.m.	Break		
2:55 – 3:35 p.m.	Session L	Data Analytics Team – best practices and lessons learned from other states	Brian Tinney, Statewide Accounting Director – WA
(40 min)	Moderator: Nancy Ruoff, Director – KS	Field of Study: Information Technology	Mark Richards, Partner, Management Consulting, Plante Moran
3:35 – 3:45 p.m.	Break		
3:45 p.m.	Business meeting of NASC (Members and state staff only)		
4:30 p.m. (load busses)	Buffalo Trace tour		
Friday, March 15			
7:00 – 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast buffet		
8:00 – 8:40 a.m.	Session M	SWCAP Issues (including capital and intangible assets)	Jessie Zuberek, Budget Team Manager – MA
(40 min)	Moderator: Kris Martins, Deputy State Accounting Officer – GA	Field of Study: Accounting (Governmental)	Kevin McHugh, Vice President, MAXIMUS
			Kyle Tyson, Manager, MAXIMUS
8:45 – 9:25 a.m.	Session N	Modernization Helps Reduce Costs and Improve Compliance	Mark Merry, Assistant Director, Division of Accounting and Auditing, Department of Financial Services – FL
(40 min)	Moderator: Angela Thomas, State Controller – WI	Field of Study: Information Technology	Sherri Schuller, Regulated Industries Account Executive, SAP Concur
9:25 – 9:40 a.m.	Break		
9:40 – 10:20 a.m.	Session O	Are there Better, Faster Ways? Best Practices in Procuring a New ERP System	Gerlda Hines, State Accounting Officer – GA
(40 min)	Moderator: Philip Olsen, State Accounting Administrator – NE	Field of Study: Information Technology	Dotty Pascale, State Controller – RI
			Rowan Miranda, Managing Director, Workday

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10:25 – 11:05 a.m. (40 min)	Session P	Automating and Enhancing Preparation of the ACFR	Kris Martins, Deputy State Accounting Officer – GA
	Moderator: Gerlda Hines, State Accounting Officer – GA	Field of Study: Accounting (Governmental)	Jamie Black, President, F. H. Black & Company
11:05 – 11:20 a.m.	Break		
11:20 a.m. – 12:00 noon (40 min)	Comptrollers' Roundtable 3: General Topics Moderator: Kathleen Baxter, State Comptroller – AL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employee engagement • VOIP for teleworking • Payment fraud Field of Study: Accounting (Governmental)	

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Continuing Professional Education

Learning Objectives:	At the conclusion of this conference, participants will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recount changes to the roles and responsibilities of state comptrollers.• Identify and discuss new accounting standards and rules.• Apply practical information learned through case studies from peer offices and organizations.• Identify and address challenges in recruiting and retaining staff.
Level of Knowledge:	Overview.
Education or Experience Prerequisite:	No prerequisites required.
Advance Preparation:	No advance preparation required.
Fields of Study:	Sessions will be offered in fields of study including Accounting (governmental), Finance and Personnel/HR
Delivery Method:	Group-Live. All sessions include Q&A opportunities.
CPE:	18.0 credits have been recommended for the conference.
Attendance Requirements:	In order to obtain CPE credit, participants must submit attendance verification codes via a survey at the conclusion of the event. A worksheet is provided to record the codes.
Refunds, Cancellations & Complaints:	A processing fee of \$50.00 may be charged for any cancellation received less than one week prior to the start of the conference. For more information regarding administrative policies such as refunds and complaints, please contact our offices at (859) 276-1147.



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