

46th NSAA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
The Grove Hotel, Boise, Idaho
May 21-24, 2024
Draft Agenda

Date/Time	Topic	Speakers
Tuesday, May 21 (pre-conference activities)		
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Landing 2 nd Floor	Conference Registration	
7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Landing 2 nd Floor	Continental Breakfast	
NSAA Committee Meetings		
8:00 – 8:45 a.m. Aspen 2 nd Floor	Audit Standards/Reporting	Staci Henshaw (VA), Chair
8:45 – 9:40 a.m. Aspen 2 nd Floor	Single Audit	Sherrill Norman (FL), Chair
9:40 – 9:55 a.m.	Break	
9:55 – 10:45 a.m. Aspen 2 nd Floor	Peer Review	April Renfro (ID), NSAA President and Chair
10:45 – 11:35 a.m. Aspen 2 nd Floor	Performance Audit	Scott Frank (WA), Chair
11:35 – 1:00 p.m.	Break for Lunch (Lunch is <i>not</i> provided)	
1:00 – 2:30 p.m. Aspen 2 nd Floor	Principal's Summit (Principal Members Only)	Moderated by April Renfro (ID) NSAA President and Doug Ringler (MI) NSAA President-Elect
2:30 – 2:40 p.m.	Break	
2:40 – 4:10 p.m. Aspen 2 nd Floor	Principal's Summit (Continued) (Principal Members Only)	
4:10 – 4:20 p.m.	Break	
4:20 – 4:50 p.m. Aspen 2 nd Floor	NSAA Executive Committee NOTE: Only those committees needing Executive Committee action need to report.	April Renfro (ID), NSAA President, presiding
Wednesday, May 22		
7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Ballroom 2 nd Floor	Breakfast <i>Sponsored by Diligent</i>	
8:00 – 8:10 a.m. Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Conference Opening Remarks</i>	<i>April Renfro, Legislative Auditor (ID) and NSAA President</i>

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8:10 – 9:25 a.m. (75 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Automating intuitively: Using AI Systems Successfully</i> Key Takeaway: To use AI systems successfully, identify historical successes and align the algorithm’s original use or intent with audit tasks. <i>Moderator: Justin Stowe (WA)</i> FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Ben Rogers, Data Scientist (WA)</i>
9:25 – 9:45 a.m.	Break	
9:45 – 10:35 a.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Independence Challenges in Iowa</i> Key Takeaway: Learn how the Iowa office is working through challenging legislation to complete the state’s ACFR and Single Audit. <i>Moderator: Josh Gallion (ND)</i> FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Rob Sand, State Auditor (IA)</i>
10:40 – 11:30 a.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Protecting Data in a Post-Pandemic World</i> Key Takeaway: This session will cover different approaches and analytical tools to protect information. Moderator: Ian Green, Audit Manager (OR) FOS: Information Technology	<i>Peg Bodin, Assistant Director of IT Audit (WA)</i> <i>Katja Freeman, Principal with Diligent</i>
11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Ballroom 2 nd Floor	Lunch <i>Presented by Novum</i>	
12:45 – 1:35 p.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Reading Between the Lines</i> Key Takeaway: Find out how to ask better questions to avoid missing key information in audits. <i>Moderator: David Stringfellow (UT)</i> FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Doug Cash, Forensic Accounting Consultant, Eide Bailly</i> <i>Seth Oveson, Manager, Utah Office of the State Auditor</i> <i>Brandon Waldren, Forensic Accounting Consultant, Eide Bailly</i>
1:40 – 2:30 p.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Why the Game Warden Checks Your Cooler: Human Nature, The Public Trust, and Finding Out Someone May Be on the Wrong Side of a Jail Cell Door</i> Key Takeaway: Learn about the Maine State Auditor’s key role in revealing a fraud scheme. <i>Moderator: Judy Randall (MN)</i> FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Matt Dunlap, State Auditor (ME)</i>
2:30 – 2:50 p.m.	Break	

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2:50 – 4:30 p.m. (100 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Emerging Issues Roundtable</i> Key Takeaway: Attendees will hear about emerging challenges and brainstorm ideas to overcome them. FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Scott Frank, Director of Performance and IT Audit (WA)</i>
5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Terrace 4 th Floor	New Member Reception (All Attendees Welcome) <i>Sponsored by Bronner</i>	
Thursday, May 23		
7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Ballroom 2 nd Floor	Breakfast <i>Sponsored by: CLA</i>	
8:00 – 8:50 a.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Story-Based and Graphical Audit Reports: Communicating Information More Visually and Effectively</i> Key Takeaway: Attendees will learn about strategies for communicating complex audit results using story-based, visual methods. Moderator: Kerri Hunter (CO) FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Nick Kolitsos, Audit Principal California State Auditor's Office</i> <i>Michelle Sanders, Audit Principal, California State Auditor's Office</i>
8:50 - 9:05 a.m.	Break	
9:05 – 9:55 a.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Internal Auditing: The Current Landscape across State Governments</i> Key Takeaway: Learn how internal audit functions are/should be operating vis-à-vis state audit functions located in the Executive or Legislative branches or separately elected. Moderator: Gila Bronner (Bronner) FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Gila Bronner, CEO, Bronner</i> <i>Bob Hinkle, Chief Deputy Auditor (OH)</i> <i>George Kennedy, State Auditor (SC)</i> <i>Frank Mautino, Auditor General (IL)</i>
10:00 – 10:50 a.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Communicating Effectively with Legislatures</i> Key Takeaway: This session will help you communicate key audit findings effectively to legislatures and the public. Moderator: Ian McKnight (Levin Center) FOS: Communications and Marketing	<i>Ian McKnight, State Training and Development Manager, Levin Center for Oversight and Democracy</i> <i>Doug Ringle, Michigan Auditor General</i> <i>Chris Clarke, Kansas Legislative Auditor</i> <i>Lydia York, Delaware State Auditor</i> <i>John Geragosian, Connecticut State Auditor</i>
10:50 – 11:10 a.m.	Break	
11:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Cultivating Confidence</i> Key Takeaway: Attendees will hear how Stacy overcame significant obstacles to achieve what had never been done before. Moderator: April Renfro (ID) FOS: Personal Development	<i>Stacy Dragila, Olympic Gold Medalist and World Champion Pole Vaulter</i>

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12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Ballroom 2 nd Floor	Lunch <i>Sponsored by: Eide Bailly</i>	April Renfro (ID)
12:45 – 1:20 p.m. Ballroom 2 nd Floor	Recognition of Excellence in Accountability, Distinguished Service, and William R. Snodgrass Distinguished Leadership Award Winners	<i>Presented by April Renfro (ID) with speeches from William R. Snodgrass Distinguished Leadership Awardees</i>
1:25 – 2:15 p.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	GAO Professional Standard Update Key Takeaway: Attendees will hear about the key changes in the 2024 Yellow and Green Books. Moderator: FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Jim Dalkin, Director of Financial Management and Assurance GAO</i>
2:15 – 2:30 p.m.	Break	
2:30 – 3:45 p.m. (75 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Single Audit Update</i> Key Takeaway: Attendees will hear about the key changes and issues for Single Audits. <i>Moderator: Sherrill Norman (FL)</i> FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Tammie Brown, Director, HHS-OIG Michael Holcomb, Assistant Director, HHS-OIG Stephanie Palmertree, Principal, Novum</i>
3:45 – 3:55 p.m.	Dismiss non-members and change room.	
3:55 – 5:00 p.m. Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>NSAA Business Meeting, April Renfro, NSAA President, Presiding</i>	<i>(NSAA Members Only)</i>
5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Terrace 4 th Floor	Evening Reception <i>Sponsored by Workiva</i>	
Friday, May 24		
7:00 – 8:15 a.m. Ballroom 2 nd Floor	Breakfast	
8:00 – 8:10 a.m. Outside the Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Excellence in Accountability Winner Photos</i>	<i>(Only Awardees and NSAA President present)</i>
8:10 – 8:15 a.m. Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Recognition of President's Award Winner</i>	<i>April Renfro, Legislative Auditor</i>
8:15 – 9:05 a.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>GASB Update</i> Key Takeaway: Attendees will hear directly from GASB about new projects and upcoming standards. <i>Moderator: David Cook (TN)</i> FOS: Accounting - Governmental	<i>Joel Black, Chairman, GASB Alan Skelton, Director of Research and Technical Activities, GASB Dianne Ray, GASB Board Member</i>
9:05 – 9:20 a.m.	Break	
9:20 – 11:15 a.m. (115 minutes) Ballroom 2 nd Floor	<i>Recognition of and Presentations by NSAA's Excellence in Accountability Award Winners</i> Introduction: Dan Crossman (5 Minutes)	<i>Moderator: Dan Crossman, Legislative Auditor (NV) and NSAA Excellence in Accountability Committee Chair</i>

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	<p>Special Project: <i>Cyber Checkups</i> (25-27 Minutes)</p> <p>Forensic Report: <i>Vinton Township: A Wildebeest, Tigers and Cy Oh My!</i> (25-27 Minutes)</p> <p>Small Performance Audit: <i>Pharmacy Benefit Managers: Poor Accountability and Transparency Harm Medicaid Patients and Independent Pharmacies</i> (25-27 Minutes)</p> <p>Large Performance Audit: <i>Maryland Department of Health: Office of the Secretary</i> (25-27 Minutes)</p> <p>FOS: Auditing – Governmental</p>	<p><i>Debbie Pennick and Daniel Mann (WA)</i></p> <p><i>Richard Blakesley (OH)</i></p> <p>Speaker TBD</p> <p><i>Josh Adler and James Podhorniak (MD)</i></p>
11:15 – 11:20 a.m.	Conference Adjournment	<i>Doug Ringler, Legislative Auditor (MI)</i>

CPE Information

Learning Objectives:

At the conclusion of this conference, participants will be able to:

- Discuss changes to the roles and responsibilities of state auditors
- Identify and discuss upcoming changes to standards issued by professional standard setters
- Identify and address how to utilize emerging technologies to better conduct audits and communicate audit results
- Apply practical information learned through case studies from peer offices and organizations

Level of Knowledge:

Overview.

Education or Experience Prerequisite:

No prerequisites are required.

Advance Preparation:

No advance preparation is required.

Fields of Study:

Sessions will be offered in fields of study including Accounting (Governmental), Auditing (Governmental), Communications and Marketing, Information Technology and Personal Development.

Delivery Method:

Group-Live. All sessions include Q&A opportunities.

CPE:

17 credits for two- and one-half days.

Attendance Requirements:

To obtain CPE credit for this event, participants must check in to each session and submit attendance verification codes provided during each session.

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