



NASACT WEBINAR

Identifying Improper Payments
in High-Risk Programs:
A Look at Medicaid

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Speaker Biographies

DARYL PURPERA, Legislative Auditor (LA)

Daryl G. Purpera was unanimously elected by the Legislature to serve as the Legislative Auditor for the State of Louisiana on April 6, 2010, and sworn in on April 19, 2010. Mr. Purpera previously served as the First Assistant Legislative Auditor for three years, and has 30 years of audit experience including financial audits, investigative audits, conducting forensic interviews, and testifying before courts and legislative committees.

Mr. Purpera holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Louisiana State University and has been a certified public accountant since 1985. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and served on the AICPA State and Local Government Expert Panel from 2009 - 2011.

Mr. Purpera serves as Secretary/Treasurer for the National State Auditors Association (NSAA) Executive Committee. He is also chairman of the NSAA Performance Audit Committee as well as serves on these NSAA Committees: Annual Meeting Program, Nominating, and Pension Audit Issues Workgroup.

He is honored to also serve on the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers (NASACT) Committee on Accounting, Reporting and Auditing (CARA). As a member of the Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants (LCPA), Mr. Purpera serves on the Government Accounting & Auditing Committee.

Mr. Purpera serves as a state representative for the National Intergovernmental Audit Forum, as well as an Executive Committee Member for the Southwest Intergovernmental Audit Forum. He is also a member of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners and the Government Finance Officers Association.

As the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, Mr. Purpera statutorily serves on the Fiscal Review Committee, Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee, Cash Management Review Board, Investment Advisory Committee and the Law Enforcement Officers & Firemen's Survivor Benefit Review Board, as well as several other task forces and commissions.

Mr. Purpera is dedicated to the fulfillment of the LLA's mission: "To foster accountability and transparency in Louisiana government by providing the Legislature and others with audit services, fiscal advice, and other useful information."

WESLEY D. "WES" GOOCH, CPA, Special Assistant for Healthcare Audit (LA)

Wes is a Certified Public Accountant and serves as the Special Assistant for Healthcare Audit for the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. Wes directs the audits of Medicaid and the Louisiana Department of Health. He has 23 years of government audit experience with the office. Wes has been involved in Medicaid and healthcare audits for the past 20 years.

Wes graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Accounting from Louisiana State University.

ANDREA INMAN, Director, Office of the State Comptroller (NY)

Andrea Inman holds a Master of Science degree in Accounting. She is also a graduate of the Strategic Leadership Institute of the State University of New York Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy. Andrea has more than twenty years of auditing experience with the New York State Office of the State Comptroller. In her current position as Audit Director, Andrea oversees audits of various State government agencies. Included in that portfolio are audits of the New York State Medicaid Program and the New York State Health Insurance Program, which incorporate sophisticated data mining and data modeling techniques to identify improper and fraudulent medical billings. The audits have identified billions of dollars in savings, led to reforms in State policies, and have served as a platform for sharing audit techniques.

KIP MEMMOTT, CGAP, CRMA, Director, Division of Audits (OR)

Kip Memmott became the Director of the Audits Division in 2017. Kip has held professional audit positions in Oregon, Denver, California, and Arizona at multiple levels of government and in the private sector. Kip has an MA from Arizona State University.

KATHY DAVIS, Staff Auditor, Division of Audits (OR)

Kathy Davis has been with the Secretary of State Audits Division for over 6 years as a staff auditor. In her work experience, she has worked on financial and performance audits at a number of state agencies. Kathy has assisted investigations of allegations of fraud, waste, and abuse of state funds. She has also assisted in several fraud cases that resulted in convictions.

ELI RITCHIE, Staff Auditor, Division of Audits (OR)

Eli Ritchie Joined the Audits Division as a staff auditor in 2017, and has worked on performance audits related to human services and statewide administration. Prior to joining the Audits Division, he worked in local government and higher education. Eli has a Master's of Public Administration from the University of Washington.
