

March 2023 Newsletter - Virginia Peninsula Chapter

Happy CGFM Month to all our Chapter CGFMS!

The Governor has proclaimed March as *Certified Government Financial Manager Month* in Virginia! See <https://www.governor.virginia.gov/newsroom/proclamations/proclamation-list/certified-government-financial-manager-month-1.html>

Thank you to all of our CGFM's for all you do for our profession and for the betterment of the government institutions you serve. We encourage everyone to wear red during the month as a way to celebrate our CGFM's, and it might also spark inquiries from fellow coworkers -- a great opportunity to educate them about what CGFM is and the benefits that are offered through our chapter.

Not a CGFM yet? AGA national has two promotions to incentivize you to obtain your CGFM starting this month, [a reduced fee to apply for the CGFM](#) (until 3/31/23) and a [take one, get one promotion for the exams](#). If you pass an exam between March 1st and April 30th, you can request a voucher for your next exam to be free (if taken before July 31st). Take advantage of these great opportunities.

- Email Claudia Ohar at ohar.claudia@gmail.com to join a study group or to request study materials.

TRAINING

Lots of FREE CPE opportunities for members.... take advantage and register to attend!
(+Denotes our VA Peninsula Chapter Meeting)

- **TODAY** - March 16, 2023 – Free to AGA members – **2023 AGA Women's Forum** (members of all genders welcome) - 1:00 – 5:10 ET, Virtual – 4 hours CPE – This power-packed afternoon is designed to energize and empower you, providing ideas and strategies to achieve and succeed in the new normal. Link: <https://www.agacgfm.org/Events/Women-s-Forum/Home.aspx>
- (+) March 23, 2023 - **Organizational Culture: The Intentional Creation of Change through Transformational Leadership**, Harold Clarke, Director for Virginia Department of Corrections, 12:00 – 1:00 EST zoom, free for members. We are having a SECOND joint meeting with the Tidewater chapter of IIA and if you attended the AGA Commonwealth PDT in December you remember Mr. Clarke as a fantastic speaker. Register here: [Organizational Culture \(eventscld.com\)](https://na.eventscld.com/ehome/index.php?eventid=738050&) or Leadership<https://na.eventscld.com/ehome/index.php?eventid=738050&>
- April 5, 2023 – Free to AGA members – **A State of Flux – Shake Up Within Our Profession - Members Only Webinar** - Virtual – 1.5 hours CPE – 2:00 – 3:15 ET Link: [https://www.agacgfm.org/Training/Webinars/2022-2023-Webinars/Free-Members-only-Webinar-\(2\).aspx](https://www.agacgfm.org/Training/Webinars/2022-2023-Webinars/Free-Members-only-Webinar-(2).aspx)

- (+) April 20, 2023 – Free to AGA Members, 1 CPE, zoom – This is our chapter's monthly meeting **What Does Naval Audit Service Do?** Mary Turner, Audit Manager, Cyber and Information Technology Audits, 12:00-1:00 ET via zoom. Hear how the Naval Audit service performs audits and some of their customers and products. The Naval Audit Service, the internal audit function for the Department of the Navy, <https://www.agacqfm.org/Chapters/Virginia-Peninsula-Chapter/TrainingEvents/Registration.aspx?ID=12224>
- **COST INVOLVED - July 23-26, **2023 AGA Professional Development Training (PDT)**, Orlando FL 24 CPEs - <https://www.agacqfm.org/Events/PDT/Future-PDTs.aspx>

MEMBERSHIP: We want to hear from you – and please renew!

All AGA memberships end in March! Please don't let your membership and all the perks that come with it lapse! Join, renew or REJOIN with this link <https://www.agacqfm.org/Membership/JoinOrRenew.aspx>. Now you can set your membership to AUTO renew annually! Remember, **every year members receive at least 14 complimentary hours of training on a variety of topics for FREE! At a value of \$361, this benefit easily covers the cost of membership.** Through our VA Peninsula Chapter, members enjoy additional networking, leadership, and education experiences.

Need help? This recorded [video](#) will walk you through the online renewal process.

We want to better serve you...if you haven't yet already, please take a few minutes to respond to this survey:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf2mh3DhptNA60tWXOEwBK4QO9dgHtYo5ZNwHmPBHbFC8tvGg/viewform?usp=sf_link

Talk a colleague or friend into joining AGA and you could win FREE registration to the PDT 2023 in Orlando, FL!

AGA Academic Scholarship Applications Now Open:

Do you know a rising fulltime college freshman, fulltime undergraduate or full- or part-time graduate student considering a career supporting the government financial management community? AGA is now accepting applications for the [2023 National Academic Scholarships!](#) Each scholarship is worth \$3,000! Not an AGA student member yet? [Click here to apply for a FREE student membership!](#)

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