




MONTGOMERY/PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY CHAPTER

Program Title	“You should be a CEAR Reviewer - learn how and why!”
Location	Virtual – Go-To-Webinar
Date	September 14, 2021
Start Time	11:30 am
End Time	1:00 pm
Program Description	<p>The Certificate of Excellence in Accountability Reporting (CEAR) Program was established by the Association of Government Accountants in 1996, in conjunction with the Office of Management and Budget and the Chief Financial Officers Council, to further performance and accountability reporting. Specifically, the CEAR Program 1) reviews individual PARs and AFRs and provides recommendations for improving their presentation and usefulness; 2) publicly recognizes the agencies, and particularly the individuals in the agencies that labor tirelessly to prepare the reports; and 3) trains the individuals who prepare and review the reports such that they can expand their understanding of the organization and content of other agencies’ PARs and AFRs and bring this knowledge back to their own agencies.</p> <p>An outstanding program is planned with dynamic speakers from the professional services firm who will share ideas in an informative session on the benefits of being a CEAR reviewer and share best practices from awardees PARs/ AFRs.</p>
Learning Objectives	Participants will learn about the CEAR review process, obtain tips from reviewers on how to effectively review the PARs, and best practices from awardee’s PARs/AFRs.
Discussion Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CEAR program overview/organization 2. Tips from reviewers 3. Lead reviewer role/process 4. Best practices from awardee’s PARs/AFRs.
Delivery Options	Group Internet Based
CPE Credit	1.5 CPEs in Accounting Government
Program Level	Overview
Prerequisites	None
Advanced Preparation	None
Who should attend	All-level managers and executives, senior-level managers, entry-level staff, auditors, accountants, ACCAs, CMA, CPAs, CPEs, and CIA



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Course Registration Link	https://www.123signup.com/register?id=kjykt
Attendance Policy	To receive 1.5 CPE credits, you must attend for at least 75 minutes.
Meeting Policies	Refund policy: AGA Montgomery/PG Chapter cannot offer refunds and all transactions are final. For more information on complaints policies, please visit www.marylandaga.com
Questions	If you have any questions, please email us at education@marylandaga.com
Speakers	
	Diane Dudley (Moderator) Diane Dudley was the partner in charge of KPMG’s Federal Audit practice in the Washington, DC office from 2001 until 2020. spent 38 years with KPMG focusing on performing nationwide federal financial statement audits, <i>Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990 (CFO Act)</i> audits, as well as accounting and advisory services for Federal agencies. She was extensively involved as lead partner of CFO Act audits and financial-related engagements for many large, complex Federal entities including the Department of Energy, the Department of Commerce, and components of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Department of the Treasury. She was also the quality control review partner on the audits of the Small Business Administration, the Export-Import Bank, and components of the Department of Justice. She also served as the engagement partner on several large state and local government audits as well as large commercial companies.



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John Hummel

Mr. Hummel has held several key positions in his career. During 38 years at KPMG LLP, he grew from his first assignment as an assistant accountant on the 1972 Prince George's County audit to be the partner in charge of audits of Montgomery, Arlington, and Prince William counties and Public Schools; the cities of Alexandria, Gaithersburg, and Rockville; WMATA; and the District of Columbia. On the federal side, he was the signing partner on the audits of the FBI, DEA, National Park Service, National Science Foundation, and the Departments of Justice and Interior. John also created an international group at KPMG to monitor International Public Sector accounting standards. He retired from KPMG in 2010 as the National Industry Director in charge of its federal practice.

Within 6 months, John was the Deputy Inspector General at Montgomery County MD. While there, he wrote the Office's current Procedures Manual and led the successful peer review of the Office. In January 2018, John retired again from full-time employment. He then began serving governments as a Contractor training government employees.



Eric Rasmussen

KPMG LLP

Eric Rasmussen is an audit partner at KPMG LLP with over 28 years of public accounting experience. Eric leads the audits of several federal government agencies including cabinet level agencies. He leads one of the few integrated audits in the federal government which includes an audit opinion on internal controls. He also has significant experience auditing manufacturing and transportation companies and other organizations in supply chain management including the nation's largest diesel fuel retailer. Eric enjoys working with people and leads the Culture committee for his practice. He is a campus recruiter for his firm and a Supervising People Management Leader in his office.

Eric has been active in AGA for a number of years and is a past Regional Vice-President, past Chapter President and past Chair and current member of the Accounting and Auditing Committee of AGA's Corporate Partner Advisory Group. He has regularly helped organize AGA's Enterprise Risk Management workshop that annually brings together leading risk management specialists in the federal government.

Eric is a graduate of Utah State University where he earned both his Master of Accountancy and his Bachelor of Arts in Accounting. Eric is currently an audit committee member and executive board member of the National Capital Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America where he served as Treasurer for six years.



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Debbi Thomas

11th Hour Service

Debbi Thomas is a Managing Director at 11th Hour Service where she leads delivery of numerous 11th Hour Service engagements within the Department of Defense and the Department of Treasury. She has over 31 years of managing large, multi-disciplinary teams delivering complex and multi-location accounting, consulting, and auditing projects for almost every Department within the Federal government. Debbi's extensive knowledge and financial management experience in various aspects of Federal government related to audits, audit readiness, fiscal policies, accounting and financial reporting procedures, internal controls, reported performance measures, budget structure, and reengineered best business practices, along with her strong analytical capabilities, have not only provided her with the ability to identify potential internal control, accounting, and/or financial reporting issues. She also conducts training on auditing, accounting, and financial reporting topics to almost every Department within the Federal Government through her work as an instructor.

Debbi holds a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Virginia Tech and is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and a Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM). She is active in numerous associations related to Financial Management within the Federal Government, including positions in corporate advisory groups for both the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) and the American Society of Military Comptrollers (ASMC). Debbi also serves on several of the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board's (FASAB) task forces, most recently including Leases, Notes, and Statement of Budgetary Resources.



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