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PRAC Seeking State Auditors for Auditor-in-Residence Program

On March 27, 2020, President Trump signed into law the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economy Security (CARES) Act, providing \$2.6 trillion in relief to America's workers, families, businesses, state and local governments, and others to address the COVID-19 outbreak and its impact on the economy and public health. The CARES Act also created the Pandemic Response Accountability Committee (PRAC) to conduct and coordinate independent oversight of the funds provided in the CARES Act and related legislation to address the federal government's pandemic response and recovery efforts. Continued legislation increased the PRAC's authority to oversee all pandemic response funds, now totaling more than \$5 trillion.

The PRAC is seeking experienced (mid- to senior level) auditors to join our Auditor-in-Residence program. This program consists of a 6-to-12-month full-time assignment with the PRAC to help support ongoing pandemic oversight activities. The PRAC is excited to offer this program using the Office of Personnel Management's (OPM) [Intergovernment Personnel Act \(opm.gov\)](https://www.opm.gov). As allowed under the Intergovernmental Personnel Act, this assignment will be fully reimbursable by the PRAC, including current salary, IT support, and travel costs, as needed. Additional program information is provided in the attached announcement.

PRAC State Auditor-in-Residence Program
Pandemic Response Accountability Committee
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The Pandemic Response Accountability Committee (PRAC) is seeking experienced state-level auditors to help support its mission and foster mutually beneficial cooperation through a 6-to-12-month Intergovernmental Personnel Act assignment. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act created the PRAC, composed of federal Offices of Inspector General to "promote transparency and conduct and support oversight of covered funds and the Coronavirus response to (1) prevent and detect fraud, waste, abuse, and mismanagement; and (2) mitigate major risks that cut across program and agency boundaries." The PRAC is currently overseeing about \$5 trillion in federal spending. Rather than a stand-alone organization, the PRAC is a Committee of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE), an independent entity established within the executive branch by the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, that includes the more than 70 statutorily created federal Inspectors General with a mission to address integrity, economy, and effectiveness issues that transcend individual government agencies.

The CARES Act created the PRAC and requires the PRAC to coordinate and support Inspectors General on matters related to oversight of covered funds and the Coronavirus response, review whether the reporting of contracts and grants using covered funds meets applicable standards and specifies the purpose of the contract or grant and measures of performance; and review the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the administration of, and the detection of fraud, waste, abuse, and mismanagement in, Coronavirus response programs and operations.

To support this exciting mission, the PRAC established the PRAC State Auditor-in-Residence Program, which is seeking experienced (mid- to senior level) state auditor staff members who would like to collaborate with the PRAC to help support its mission and gain experience in Federal operations that can be of use to their home state oversight efforts. Participants in this program will be assigned to the PRAC for a 6-to-12-month assignment. To help free up needed resources for state auditors' offices, this assignment will be fully reimbursable by the PRAC, including current salary, IT support, and any travels costs, as needed.

Selected candidates can expect to work on diverse, complex, and real-world challenges that have a direct impact on their fellow citizens. In addition, PRAC State Auditor-in-Residence will have the opportunity to gain federal sector experience and knowledge that can then be leveraged to help their state navigate the pandemic-spending oversight landscape.

The PRAC is organized and managed as a distributed workforce in a virtual workplace with a small physical footprint in Washington, DC. The State Auditor-in-Residence position will be a full-time virtual position, i.e., full-time telework.

Duties

During their tenure as a PRAC State Auditor-in-Residence, typical work assignments could include:

- Supporting planning and implementation of new initiatives and projects that will enhance the effectiveness of oversight activities
- Researching applicable laws, directives, regulations, manuals, prior studies, and reports needed for initiatives and projects and summarizes and/or presents information to supervisor(s)
- Applying analytical approaches, methodologies, concepts, and techniques to assist in planning and carrying out initiatives and projects to aid the organization in program planning, measurement, or other oversight activities related to the pandemic response
- Performing and interpreting quantitative and qualitative analysis on agency data, using and developing analysis tools and methods
- Supporting studies, data gathering, interviews, analysis, and developing customized reports and deliverables based on outcomes using analytical tools, databases, and business intelligence software
- Writing comprehensive reports, presents the results of the analysis of the facts, conclusions, and recommendations clearly, concisely, and logically
- Conducting in-depth analyses of agency data and requirements to identify problem areas, assess impact, and formulate solutions
- Preparing or assembling supporting documentation for ongoing projects, in compliance with standards
- Coordinating and assisting with planning community-wide training events
- Performing developmental assignments related to pandemic response projects
- Attending meetings as directed or required

Eligibility Requirements

The PRAC State Auditor-in-Residence Program is open to mid- to senior level audit staff in state auditors' offices, or equivalent offices within state government. Candidates must:

- a. Have completed work using Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards,
- b. Be a mid- to senior level auditor or analyst,
- c. Receive approval to apply from the State Auditor or equivalent position—office head, and
- d. Be a citizen of the United States.

Candidates cannot be:

- a. State or local government employees serving under a time-limited, temporary or term appointment;
- b. Elected State or local government officials;
- c. Members of the uniformed military services, the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and
- d. Students employed in research, graduate, or teaching assistant and similar temporary positions.

Independence is required, so the State Auditor- in-Residence may not work in the same program area as a relative. Candidates for this position may not have received any pandemic relief loans or grants. Applicants may not be related to a current PRAC employee.

How to Apply

For immediate consideration, please email a cover letter summarizing your qualifications and your resume to prac_jobs@cigie.gov, with the subject line: PRAC State Auditor in Residence Program with the following criteria:

1. Resume must explicitly provide evidence that you completed work under GAGAS.
2. Resume must explicitly provide evidence that you are a mid- to senior level auditor or analyst.
3. Include a recommendation letter prepared and signed by the office head (for example, State Auditor, Legislative Auditor, or equivalent).