THE IAC BULLETIN

Updates from the Office of Internal Controls and Audit Compliance

What is Audit Liaison?

Audit Liaison is the unit in the IAC that serves as the point of contact between MDH leadership and outside auditors, including Office of Legislative Auditors (OLA), Health and Human Services-Office of Inspector General (HHS-OIG), Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS), and others. IAC's liaison staff is responsible for facilitating efficient and coordinated interaction with outside organizations.

Responsibilities

Audit Liaison plans, directs, coordinates, and monitors the audit process. Once the audit is complete, liaison staff coordinates with the responsible MDH program or office to promptly respond to any findings and recommendations resulting from the audit. This unit represents and advocates for MDH while making sure that the auditors get the information they need.

Working with MDH

As appropriate, Audit Liaison advises MDH on the outside organization's process and sends out quarterly status report (QSR) requests (using Smartsheet software) to MDH program offices requesting updates on corrective actions that are not yet completed.

WHO DO I CALL?

If you hear from an outside auditor and you are not sure why, please call or email the IAC. We will guide you through the process.

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Who is being audited?

OLA audits almost 30 MDH programs, offices, and facilities on a rotational basis. Currently, OLA auditors are on site—or remote—conducting audits of the following:

- Behavioral Health Administration/ Administrative Services Organization
- Developmental Disabilities Administration
- Office of Chief Medical Examiner
- Potomac Center
- RICA Baltimore
- RICA Gildner
- Office of the Secretary
- Spring Grove Hospital Center

Additionally, HHS-OIG is reviewing aspects of the Medicaid program, and the annual single-state audit is just wrapping up.

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