Government auditing is different…or is it? Government auditors may deal with concerned citizens, quasi governmental entities, grant recipients, contractors, federal, state and local municipalities, elected officials, law enforcement and the media. This seminar provides practical approaches government auditors can use to increase their own effectiveness in detecting and responding to fraud, as well as help management fight dishonest and fraudulent activity.

Upon completion attendees will be able to:
- Help management create an environment hostile to fraud
- Identify the dangers related to responding to fraud and how to avoid them
- Relate fraud detection responsibilities of government auditors and the reasons fraud goes undetected
- Utilize practical approaches to building fraud detection into routine audit activity
- Identify fraud exposures in technology, purchasing and contracting
- Describe techniques for proving some kickbacks
- Explain what a complete investigation should include
- Describe and apply investigative tools and techniques
- Understand and apply approaches for fraud prevention

Participants will learn:
- Basic fraud concepts
- Who really commits fraud
- Dangers related to fraud and how to avoid them
- Lessons from the Yellow Book and SAS 99
- Why government auditors don’t detect fraud
- Practical approaches to building fraud detection into routine audits
- The Five Step Approach to Fraud Detection
- Exposures and symptoms of fraud and behavioral red flags
- How to detect fraud using data mining
- Fraud-related suggestions for purchasing and contracting
- What a complete investigation should include
- Tips for a more effective investigative response
- Fraud Prevention – a four-step approach

*Fraud Detection & Investigation for Government Auditors* helps government auditors understand and redefine their roles, and provides practical proven approaches used by auditors in government and elsewhere. This course is a “how to” course, loaded with examples, tips and methods.

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