Due to the growth, complexity and exposure of the Public Private Venture Program (PPV), an auditor position was created to aid in the review of potential and current projects.

No one ever said that higher education administration was easy. Actually, higher education administration is a very challenging field of endeavor. This is certainly true in the University System of Georgia. As a distinct community of learners, each USG institution must find a way to further academic excellence, conduct cutting-

Revisions to P-Card Policy Aimed at Addressing Common Questions by Paul Kurtz

Editors' Note: In FY 2010, we will continue to audit P-Cards. Here is a preview of the program updates.

You are probably aware that the State Purchasing Card, or P-Card, is a simple, secure and cost effective method to pay for official purchases. You also know that exceptions to the Statewide P-Card Policy must be approved in writing prior to use of the card. But did you know that many policy exception requests received by DOAS are not truly exceptions and don't require approval? The revised Statewide Purchasing Card Policy, effective July 1, 2009 includes several updates designed to make using the card easier and more convenient for Board of Regents entities.

New Maximum Monthly Cycle Limit: The most common reason for requests for policy exceptions stemmed from the need to exceed the maximum Monthly Cycle Limit previously set at $10,000. After a review of those requests showed that 99% were approved, the maximum Monthly Cycle Limit has been raised to $25,000. Program Administrators can now manage monthly cycle limits on their cardholders' accounts up to the new limit without prior approval

Fiscal Year 2010 Office of Internal Audit Focus Areas by Michael J. Foxman and Scott C. Woodison

The Fiscal Year 2010 audit plan was presented to the Audit Co

Understanding Identification & Access Control Management (IAM) of Sensitive or Confidential Information & Information System Services (part 2 of 3) by Erwin (Chris) L. Carrow

This article is the second in a three part series which examines the implementation of an effective IAM process. This article focuses on the hiring, provisioning, transfer and eventual termination of employees.

Overview:

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- Personnel Transfer: The institution must review information systems / facilities access authorizations, when individuals are reas-signed or transferred to other positions within the organization and initiate appropriate actions such as:

    1. Reissuing keys, ID cards, and building passes

    2. Closing old accounts access

    3. Establishing new account access

    4. Changing system access authorizations

- Personnel Sanctions: Ensure the institution employs a formal sanctions process for personnel failing to comply with established acceptable use of institution resources in accordance with associated policies and procedures.

- Acceptable Use policy implementation: An "acceptable use" policy and its objectives must be clearly defined and docu-mented. An official statement of agreement and understanding for proper handling of sensitive or confidential information (to include a "non-disclosure agreement") or "acceptable use.98 75io-1(g f)-4(o)]t(impl)-116(em)-4(e)--3(c)-9(97(o)10 -2ha6(n)g)5i9(e)1(r(e)13