



Center for Audit Excellence

## **Policy for Determination of Qualified Personnel and Entities**

### **Overview**

This policy establishes criteria for determining personnel and entities qualified to receive training, technical assistance, products, and services from the Center for Audit Excellence.

### **Purpose**

There are many potential audiences and recipients for training, technical assistance, products, and services from the Center. The statute establishing the Center, 31 U.S.C. § 791, provides the Comptroller General with broad discretion to establish and publish criteria for determining qualified personnel and entities.

### **Eligibility Policy**

The Center will provide affordable, relevant, and high-quality training, technical assistance, and products and services to qualified personnel and entities of governments (including the Federal Government, State and local governments, tribal governments, and governments of foreign nations), international organizations, and other private organizations. In order to be considered qualified, the Center Director must determine that a potential recipient meets the following criteria:

- (1) the potential recipient is associated with the domestic or international accountability community; and
- (2) the potential recipient would not create a conflict for the Center for any reason, such as any individual or entity whose participation in Center activities would compromise or appear to compromise the independence or integrity of GAO.

### **Limitations of Eligibility**

- (1) Center activities will be limited based on available personnel, financial resources, and other considerations, including GAO's independence. A determination of eligibility does not entitle a potential recipient to any training, technical assistance, products, or services from the Center.
- (2) The Center Director may reconsider eligibility for Center training, technical assistance, products, and services at any time for any reason, including failure to adhere to Center policies or comply with agreements entered into with the Center.