

Performance Audit Services

Accountability is essential to government and its stewardship of public resources. Officials entrusted with the public good are responsible for carrying out their functions and providing services effectively, efficiently, economically, ethically and equitably within the boundaries of government regulation and program requirements. While government agencies are experiencing shrinking budgets and increasingly working with contractors and vendors that have more specialized knowledge and resources, using performance audits can help government hold those entities accountable.

Performance audits provide an independent, objective, nonpartisan assessment of the stewardship, performance and cost of government policies, programs and operations. Performance audits are an examination of a program, function, operation or the management systems and procedures of a governmental or nonprofit entity to assess whether the entity is achieving economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the employment of available resources. The examination is objective and systematic, generally using structured and professionally adopted methodologies. Nearly everything that governments do can benefit from performance audits whether it is a service performed by government employees such as law enforcement or by contractors such as recycling and waste management.

The gold standard of quality of performance audits is set out in Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS). In addition to performance audits, GAGAS also provides guidance on other assurance services including examinations, agreed upon procedures and reviews. Each of these services has a relevant use depending on the subject matter or program being assessed. Compliance with GAGAS ensures that engagements are conducted competently, with integrity, objectivity and independence.

Performing GAGAS engagements can help level the playing field and also ensure that government services are being provided effectively and efficiently. Weaver can help.

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