

Office of Inspector General 2013 Work Plan

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OIG Role

Provide objective and useful analysis to decision-makers:

- Enhance oversight and management
- Increase accountability, responsibility, and transparency in LSC and grant recipient operations.



FY 2012 Highlights

- Made **26** Audit recommendations to LSC Management and Grantees
- Referred **31** IPA findings to LSC Management
- Questioned costs (\$1,526,531)
- Completed first year of Grantee Audit Quality Reviews (39)
- Closed 13 Criminal and 13 Compliance Investigations
- OIG cases resulted in 3 Convictions/4 Sentencing Actions
- OIG cases generated \$201,405 in Court-ordered Investigative Recoveries
- Initiated Regulatory Vulnerability Assessment Program (6)
- Conducted 28 Fraud Awareness Briefings/2 Nation-wide webinars



Planning Process

- Mandated work (routine and new initiatives)
- Continuous risk assessments (LSC/Grantee operations)
- Remain flexible
 - Stakeholder requests (Congressional, Board or Management)
 - ► GAO reviews
 - New information, including the OIG Hotline
- Government-wide management challenges
 - Stewardship, program accountability & effectiveness/ compliance/IT and human capital



2013 Considerations

- LSC Strategic Plan 2012-2016 (Adopted 10/30/12)
 - > Review LSC's Strategic Goals/Initiatives/Accountabilities
- Create OIG's Strategic Plan for 2013-2017
 - > Mission
 - > Stakeholders & Environment
 - ➤ Major Management Challenges
 - > Goals
 - Strategies



Executive Functions

- Submit Semiannual Reports to Congress
- Keep agency head informed
- Respond timely and completely to Congressional requests and meet with Congressional staff when necessary
- Consult, by request, on topics of interest to LSC Board or Management
- Conduct strategic & annual work planning
- Manage OIG Human Resources
 - > Retain highly qualified staff
 - Ensure meeting professional training requirements



Audit Functions

- Direct LSC audit program
- Perform audits of LSC/grantee operations
 - Financial / Compliance/ Performance
- Oversee grantee audit process, including quality reviews
- Monitor open recommendations resolution
- Contract/oversee annual LSC financial audit
- Conduct and receive peer reviews (reviewed Securities and Exchange Commission OIG in August 2012)



Oversee Annual Grantee Audit Process

OIG issues Audit Guidance & Updates

Perform Quality Control Reviews of each IPA (4 year cycle)

IPAs conduct grantee audits

Refer significant findings to OCE & track correction

OIG reviews all IPA reports (134)



Investigation Functions

- Investigate instances of fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement; report results to appropriate authorities
 - > Receive, process and investigate complaints or information
 - Operate the national reporting HOTLINE
 - Refer evidence of crimes to prosecutors

Fraud Prevention Measures

- Investigations
- > Awareness Briefings
- Vulnerability Assessments
- > Alerts

Compliance

- Regulatory Vulnerability Assessments
- Investigations



Legal Functions

- OIG General Counsel
- Review and comment on legislation, regulations and policies
- Review subpoenas for legal sufficiency and enforceability
- Suspend or debar IPAs from auditing LSC grantees as needed
- Review and coordinate FOIA requests



Management & Evaluation Functions

- OIG administration
 - > Planning, budgeting, procurement and office operations
- Information management systems
 - ➤ Build and maintain Intranet (OIG Connect)
 - ➤ Investigative case management
 - > Records/Document management
- Operations planning and analytical support



Comments or Questions