

# IAC BULLETIN

Updates from the MDH Office of Internal Controls and Audit Compliance



## WHAT'S NEW?

### What is Audit Compliance?

MDH leadership has established a “tone at the top” that emphasizes strong internal controls and seeks to minimize repeat audit findings. The IAC assists MDH units as they work to resolve audit findings and strengthen underlying policies, procedures, and processes. We do this by reviewing and testing corrective actions taken in response to auditors’ recommendations. We discuss the results of our work with program managers and, as appropriate, make additional suggestions to enhance controls.

### Responsibilities

IAC’s Audit Follow-Up unit is responsible for helping to achieve compliance by

- Reviewing audit recommendations and steps taken to resolve underlying issues
- Evaluating written policies and procedures
- Using sample data to test for accuracy and thoroughness of MDH processes
- Assessing program compliance with federal and state laws and regulations and MDH policies
- Making suggestions to enhance processes and reduce risk
- Conducting special reviews as requested by MDH leadership

IAC is working with the Office of the Secretary to follow up on 6 findings and 19 recommendations from OLA's 2019 report. During 2022, IAC will be following up on an additional 36 reports, 119 findings, and 324 recommendations to help ensure that corrective actions are in place and working as intended. Moreover, IAC just completed work on 11 findings and 25 recommendations from OLA's 2019 report on the Maryland Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA).

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