

**INTERNAL AUDIT REPORTS ISSUED**

**Action Requested:** Receive the original and follow-up internal audit reports.

**Executive Summary:** Completed institutional internal audit reports are reported to the Audit/Compliance and Investment Committee as required by Board Policy.

<b>ORIGINAL REPORTS</b>	<b>CEA*</b>	<b>Status</b>
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA		
• Campus SSN Remediation		Open
• Department of Psychiatry		Open
• Utilization Management		Open
• Affordable Care Act		Closed
• UIHC Capital Management		Open
• Claim Submission and Electronic Remittance Processes		Open
• Clinical Quality Safety and Performance Improvement		Open
• DeGowin Blood Center		Open
• NCAA Eligibility, Amateurism and Academic Performance		Closed
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY		
• Department of Statistics		Open
UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA		
• Special and Summer Compensation		Open
• Department of Technology		Open

*\*Assessment of Controls/Efficiencies (CEA) are defined on the following page.*

**FOLLOW-UP REPORTS**

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

- Epic Beaker Closed
- Finance and Business Information Services IT Closed
- Flexible Benefits Closed
- Office of the President Closed
- The University Club Closed
- Voalte Closed
- Residence Hall Security Closed

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

- College of Business Closed

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA

- Center for Multicultural Education Closed

**CONTROLS/EFFICIENCIES ASSESSMENT (CEA)**

<p><b>HIGH</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Could seriously affect several areas within the university. Exposes the university to unacceptable risks or liability if not corrected OR</li> <li>• Involves difficult issues requiring the attention of executive management OR</li> <li>• Involves compliance with Federal, State, or other laws and could result in serious consequences if not implemented OR</li> <li>• Unacceptable weakness in the internal and/or accounting controls OR</li> <li>• Substantial savings (perhaps millions) can potentially be realized by correcting.</li> </ul>
<p><b>MODERATE</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Could seriously affect a department or area within the university OR</li> <li>• Involves a difficult issue requiring the attention of upper management OR</li> <li>• Involves compliance with Federal, State or other law and could result in minor consequences if not implemented OR</li> <li>• Weakness in the internal and/or accounting controls OR</li> <li>• Savings (perhaps thousands) can potentially be realized by correcting.</li> </ul>
<p><b>LOW</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can affect a department or may be common to several areas OR</li> <li>• Could result in improved internal and accounting control OR</li> <li>• Can be corrected relatively easily OR</li> <li>• Could result in improved efficiency or effectiveness of operations OR</li> <li>• No reportable observations or corrective action taken prior to report issuance.</li> </ul>

*The internal auditors have utilized the colors for the CEA in evaluating each overall audit report.*



**The University of Iowa  
Campus SSN Remediation**

*Issued January 22, 2016*

Status: Open

The Social Security Number (SSN) “vault” application was developed by Information Technology Services staff with intentions on becoming an enterprise solution for sensitive data storage. The audit focused on application security and key controls to ensure appropriate access to data in the vault. Recommendations include implementing policy to mandate secure storage of SSNs, and performing regular reviews to ensure accounts with access to the vault are appropriately managed. Management expects to complete their action plans by June 2016.



**The University of Iowa  
Department of Psychiatry**

*Issued January 22, 2016*

Status: Open

The Department of Psychiatry audit was performed to examine the operations for reasonable internal controls and processes. Primary audit recommendations include strengthening controls on charge capture and denial management, updating professional service and payor agreements, enforcing TB and HIPAA compliance and revising cash handling procedures. Management expects to complete its action plan by June 2016.



**The University of Iowa  
Utilization Management**

*Issued January 22, 2016*

Status: Open

The Utilization Management (UM) audit was performed to examine operations for reasonable internal controls and processes. UM is a department of nurses that are responsible for obtaining precertifications for inpatient admissions, providing payers with clinical continued stay reviews, and responding to and appealing cases denied for medical necessity. Primary audit recommendations include working with Health Care Information Systems (HCIS) to improve the department’s use of available systems, working with registration staff to ensure that information required for UM work is correctly entered during the registration process, and considering the hire of administrative support staff to support the department’s mission. Management expects to complete its action plan by July 2016.



**The University of Iowa  
Affordable Care Act – Employer Shared Responsibility**

*Issued February 18, 2016*

Status: Closed

The Employer Shared Responsibility provision of the 2010 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act became effective on January 1, 2015. In part, this provision requires large employers to offer health insurance coverage to full-time equivalent employees and to provide annual forms of offers made and coverage provided to the IRS and employees. This audit was performed to provide reasonable assurance that processes and controls are in place and functioning effectively to identify employees eligible for offers of coverage under the Employer Shared Responsibility provision. The audit did not identify any recommendations or material weaknesses. This audit is closed.



**The University of Iowa  
UIHC Capital Management**

*Issued February 18, 2016*

Status: Open

The UIHC Capital Management audit was performed to examine the project management and procurement operations for reasonable internal controls and processes. Audit recommendations related to procurement include establishing appropriate approvals and coordination of equipment/furniture, high value contracts, amendments, and change orders. Operational recommendations include extending financial oversight to the Executive Director level, implementing a new scheduling/project management program that encompasses all lead times/deadlines, and formalizing agreements for improvement of affiliated entities’ leased spaces. Management expects to complete its action plan by October 2016.



**The University of Iowa**  
**Claim Submission and Electronic Remittance Processes**

*Issued March 23, 2016*

Status: Open

The Claim Submission and Electronic Remittance Processes audit was performed as part of an ongoing series of Epic revenue-cycle audits. The intent of these audits is to examine essential revenue cycle processes for reasonable internal controls and processes after the implementation of Epic, a new patient accounting system. Audit recommendations include separating provider liability balance (PLB) adjustments from remittance files prior to uploading files to Epic (an industry-wide challenge), automating processes to enter check information into the electronic reconciliation database, improving maintenance support for the electronic reconciliation database, and limiting access to payor websites to regular business users. Management expects to complete its action plan by March 2017.



**The University of Iowa**  
**Clinical Quality Safety and Performance Improvement**

*Issued March 23, 2016*

Status: Open

The Clinical Quality Safety and Performance Improvement (CQSPI) audit was performed to examine the operational and business processes for reasonable internal controls and processes. Audit recommendations include identifying proper backups for CQSPI staff processes, improving documented registries' procedures, reviewing all registries for the possibility to automate registry abstraction, and reviewing system user identifiers regularly. Management expects to complete its action plan by March 2017.



**The University of Iowa**  
**DeGowin Blood Center**

*Issued March 23, 2016*

Status: Open

The DeGowin Blood Center audit was performed to review the blood management software systems and examine the blood center's operations and financial management for reasonable internal controls and processes. Primary audit recommendations include enhancing monthly reviews on infectious disease service charges, educating staff members on operational inventory procedures, and strengthening IT security controls over the blood management software systems. Management expects to complete its action plan by March 2016.



**The University of Iowa**  
**NCAA Eligibility Amateurism and Academic Performance**

*Issued March 23, 2016*

Status: Closed

As a Division I member, the University of Iowa is obligated to comply with the National Collegiate Athletic Association's (NCAA) rules and regulations. This audit was performed to fulfill the portion of the NCAA's requirement related to initial, continuing, and transfer academic eligibility. No findings were identified and the audit is closed.



**Iowa State University**  
**Department of Statistics**

*Issued March 24, 2016*

Status: Open

The Department of Statistics is jointly administered by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. The department offers undergraduate and graduate degrees and teaches introductory and intermediate statistics to students from academic programs across the university. Recommendations will ensure interior door access is properly controlled and sensitive data is adequately protected when stored electronically. Modified procedures for Conflicts of Interest and Commitment disclosures will ensure disclosures are completed in accordance with university requirements and graduate admissions and scholarships selections are adequately supported. Additionally, audit recommendations will strengthen the statistical consulting fee-for-service operations and the tracking of consulting work completed by graduate assistants. Management expects to complete their action plan by September 2016.



**University of Northern Iowa  
Special and Summer Compensation**

*Issued February 25, 2016*

Status: Open

Special and summer compensation at the University of Northern Iowa is governed by the university's Special Compensation policy. Special compensation is for work performed by UNI employees that exceeds their normal duties. Summer compensation, also known as "summer appointments", is work performed by nine-month UNI employees, usually faculty, during the summer months to teach summer session classes. Audit recommendations focused on a separate policy for summer compensation and improving controls to meet policy requirements. Management expects to complete its action plan by November 2016.



**University of Northern Iowa  
The Department of Technology**

*Issued March 22, 2016*

Status: Open

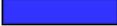
The University of Northern Iowa's Department of Technology supports one of the two doctoral programs at the university. The department has over 500 undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in six undergraduate and two graduate programs. There are at least seven major lab areas within the Industrial Technology Center where the department is located. Audit recommendations focused on improving hazardous materials controls, laboratory safety and security, and other departmental controls related to information security and financial management. Management expects to complete its action plan by December 2016.

**STATUS OF AUDIT FOLLOW-UPS**

**University of Iowa**

Title	Report Date	Original Follow-Up Date	Revised Follow-Up Date	Action Status
1. Communication Sciences and Disorders	Jan 15, 2015	Aug 2015	March 2016	
2. OptiFlex	Jan 15, 2015	Oct 2015		
3. Iowa Lakeside Laboratory Regents Resource Center	Sept 8, 2015	Dec 2015		
4. Sociology Information Technology	Nov 12, 2015	Jan 2016		
5. UIHC Safety and Security	June 29, 2015	Jan 2016		
6. School of Art and Art History	Sept 8, 2015	Feb 2016		
7. Internal Medicine	Nov 12, 2015	Feb 2016		
8. Bowen Science Building Information Technology	Sept 23, 2014	Feb 2016		
9. UIHC Engineering Services	Sept 8, 2015	March 2016		
10. Anesthesia	Nov 12, 2015	March 2016		
11. Controlled Substances in Laboratories	Sept 8, 2015	July 2016		
12. UIHC Cash Handling	Nov 12, 2015	July 2016		
13. Heart and Vascular Center	Dec 9, 2015	July 2016		
14. State Hygienic Laboratory	Dec 9, 2015	Aug 2016		
15. Centralized Coding	July 28, 2015	Sept 2016		
16. Dual Degree Program	July 28, 2015	Oct 2016		

**Iowa State University**

Title	Report Date	Original Follow-Up Date	Revised Follow-Up Date	Action Status
17. ISU Research and Demonstration Farms	Jan 5, 2016	March 2016		
18. College of Engineering	July 14, 2015	July 2016		
19. Department of Residence	Aug 25, 2016	Dec 2016		
20. Dr. W. Eugene and Linda Lloyd Veterinary Medicine Center	Jan 5, 2016	Dec 2016		

**University of Northern Iowa**

Title	Report Date	Original Follow-Up Date	Revised Follow-Up Date	Action Status
21. Metal Casting Center	Mar 23, 2015	Jan 2016		
22. Center for Social and Behavioral Research	Sept 14, 2015	March 2016		
23. Campus Supply and Warehousing	Oct 30, 2015	March 2016		
24. Center for Teaching and Learning Mathematics	Sept 14, 2015	July 2016		
25. Speech and Hearing Clinic	July 8, 2015	June 2016		
26. Theatre Department	Dec 17, 2015	Nov 2016		

**Follow-Up Legend**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planned corrective action and/or follow-up report not completed within six months of originally scheduled date.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planned corrective action and/or follow-up report not completed within three months of originally scheduled date.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow-up report is due and is within three months of originally scheduled completion date.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow-up report not yet due.</li> </ul>