Fraud Risk Management

PREVENTING FRAUD DETECTING WASTE RESPONDING TO ABUSE CREATING TRANSPARENCY AND ENSURING ACCOUNTABILITY



FRAUD, WASTE AND ABUSE

KPMG Forensic Integrity Survey Data (2009)

- 80% of employees in the government and public sector have observed misconduct over the last year (compared to 74% across all sectors nationally).
- 56% stated they had seen instances of wasting, mis-managing or abusing organizational resources (compared to 46% across all sectors nationally).
- 33% reported they had seen mishandling of confidential or proprietary information (compared to 23% across all sectors nationally).
- 26% stated they were aware of employees or managers making false or misleading claims to the media (compared to 15% across all sectors nationally).
- 56% of those employees said that what they observed could cause a "significant loss of public trust" if discovered (compared to 46% across all sectors nationally).
- 41% lacked confidence that appropriate action would be taken if they reported a violation (compared to 34% across all sectors nationally).

Source: KPMG 2008-2009 Integrity Survey



Current Realities: Drivers in the Public and Political Environment

Driver	Relevance
Executive Office	 Mandate for Transparency, Accountability and Efficiency. Focus on issues surrounding the prevention and detection of fraud, waste and abuse.
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act 2009	 Unprecedented level of government funding within short timeframe. Strict requirements for regular and accurate reporting. GAO and OMB released guidance on increased control over use of funds. Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board mandates.
Public Scrutiny	 Concentrated public and political scrutiny on government expenditure. No tolerance for fraud waste and abuse.



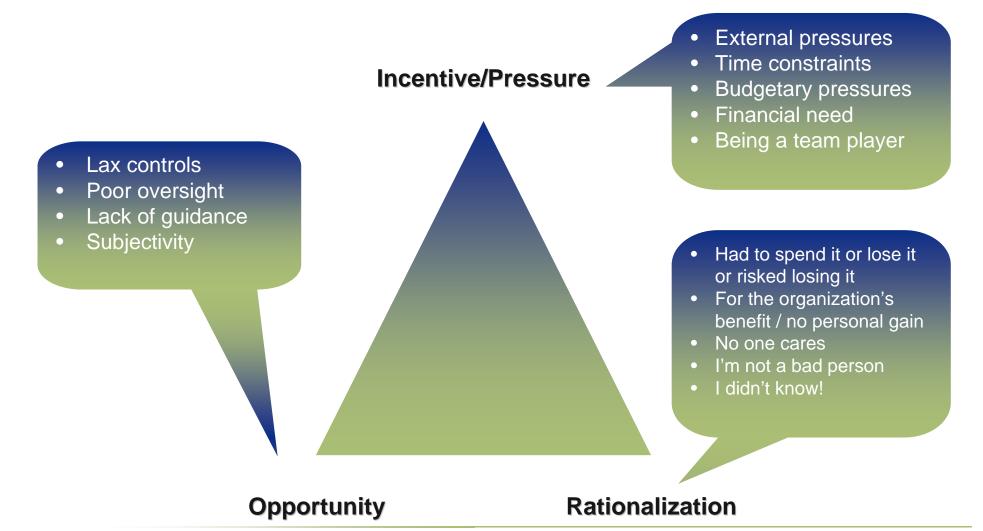
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Drivers in the Legal and Regulatory Environment

Driver	Relevance
Office of Chief Performance Officer	 New cabinet level post. New administration's focus on efficiency, transparency and accountability. Anticipated targeted reviews of specific areas of government operation.
Government Auditing Standards (Yellow Book)	 Auditors have responsibilities for detecting fraud and illegal acts that have a material effect on the financial statements. Auditors determine whether those charged with governance are adequately informed about fraud and illegal acts.
Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act 2006	 Greater transparency in government contracting. Greater public access to the details of each vendor and contract available online.
Improper Payments Information Act 2002	 Identify programs and activities that may be susceptible to significant improper payments Annual estimation of improper payments
Federal Sentencing Guidelines	 Provides minimum criteria for programs to prevent and detect violations of law. Requires periodic evaluation of the effectiveness of compliance programs. Identified in DOJ policy on whether to prosecute agencies.



Why do People Commit Fraud or Misconduct?





How to Prevent, Detect and Respond to Fraud

What is it?

Fraud Risk Management is aimed at helping companies achieving three core objectives:

- **Prevent** instances of fraud, waste, abuse, misconduct and non-compliance from occurring in the first place
- Detect instances when they do occur
- Respond appropriately and take corrective action when instances arise

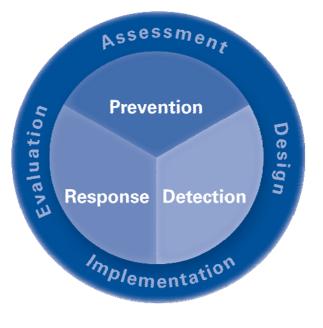
Companies should focus their efforts to achieve these objectives through the:

- Assessment of needs based on the nature of fraud and misconduct risks and existing controls
- **Design** of programs and controls in a manner consistent with legal and regulatory criteria as well as industry practices that organizations have generally found to be effective
- Implementation of programs and controls through assigning roles, building competencies and deploying resources
- Evaluation of program and control design and operational effectiveness in achieving their objectives





Fraud and Misconduct Risk Assessment Leading Practices



Understanding fraud red flags

- Incentives/Pressures
- Opportunities

Evaluating entity-level/operating unit/process/functions

Determining inherent/residual risk

Balancing risk and control

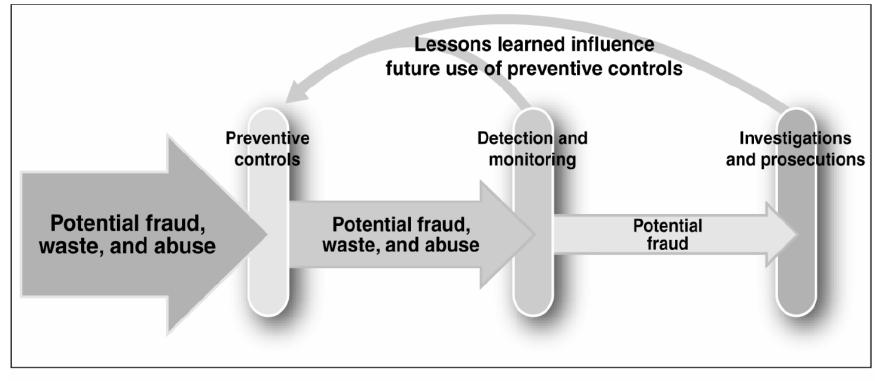
Assessing management override & collusion

Facilitating Fraud Workshop/Brainstorming sessions



Process Flow of an Effective Fraud Risk Management Program

Figure 1: Program Designed to Minimize Fraud, Waste, and Abuse



Source: GAO.



Key Elements of Fraud Risk Management and Compliance Risk Management

Sample Compliance Program Processes

The graphic to the right depicts the key elements typically associated with fraud and compliance risk management models:

- Assessing the nature, likelihood and impact of fraud, waste and misconduct risk.
- Establishing policies and standards that meet expectations on acceptable practices.
- Exercising due diligence to screen employees and government representatives that may have a propensity to violate the agency's standards.
- Providing communication and training to raise employee awareness and understanding of the compliance risks associated with their responsibilities.
- Auditing and monitoring to evaluate the degree to which the program is operating as intended and compliance with the agency's standards is being achieved.
- Investigating allegations of wrongdoing.
- Taking corrective action in response to substantiated instances of non-compliance.
- Measuring and reporting on the overall effectiveness of program activity.





Sample Compliance Risk Management Program Elements

Prevention	Detection	Response			
Audit, Compliance and Monitoring Functions					
 Fraud and misconduct risk assessment 	 Hotlines and whistleblower mechanisms 	 Internal investigations and investigative protocols 			
 Code of conduct and related standards Employee and third-party due 	 Auditing and monitoring Retrospective forensic data analysis 	 Enforcement and accountability protocols Disclosure protocols 			
 Communication and training 		 Remedial action protocols 			
Process-specific fraud risk controlsProactive forensic data analysis					



Critical Success Factors – Fraud Risk Management What Works and What Does Not

Based on our previous work and experience, the following are high level guidelines for Fraud Risk Management.

Enterprise-wide risk-based approach

- Strong governance model with active involvement of senior executives and regular robust reporting to the Board of Directors
- End-to-end process to identify, measure, monitor, and manage vendor risks
- Centralized data repository for all third-party provider information

- Fragmented and disparate policies, procedures, and approach.
- Focus solely on spend and cost, not risk.
- De-centralized data repository of vendor information.
- Lack of risk management and due diligence



Identifying and Filling the Gaps

Typical Management Challenges	Sample Areas of Assistance
Are we focused on the right risk areas?	 Fraud and Misconduct Risk Assessment
Do we have the right controls in place?	Gap Analysis
Is our program influencing behaviors and culture?	 Benchmarking Survey / Focus Groups
How can we leverage technology to identify red flags?	Forensic Data Analysis
How do we monitor the integrity of funding initiatives?	Compliance Monitoring
How can we get better at (e.g., coordinating oversight functions, reporting, reducing conflicts of interest, performing due diligence on third parties, managing investigations?)	Targeted and Tailored Assistance





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