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### **OPA Releases Annual Audit Work Plan**

*Plan Outlines Activities for 2019*

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Hagåtña, Guam – The Office of Public Accountability (OPA) has issued its Annual Work Plan for calendar year (CY) 2019. The plan provides the vision and framework for OPA’s activities for 2019 and is in line with OPA’s strategic plan that covers CY 2019-2023. OPA’s mandate is to conduct performance audits, have oversight over financial audits, and adjudicate procurement appeals.

In developing its annual work plan, OPA utilized various methods to map out its activities for 2019, including conducting risk assessments, seeking feedback from government leaders and the public, reviewing legislative mandates, and identifying hotline tips and citizens’ concerns. Through extensive deliberations and taking all factors into account, OPA identified revenue collection, cost-savings, and the exposure of inappropriate expenditures as high-priority areas for performance audits to be conducted. In our plan, OPA also allowed for flexibility in the event of emerging issues, availability of resources, or other circumstances.

*“The people of Guam and GovGuam rely on OPA to serve as their guardian to ensure the effective administration and management of public funds and programs. Even with its limited resources, OPA strives to conduct as many audits and mandates, to decide as fast as possible on procurement appeals, and to address as many hotline tips and citizens concerns,”* remarked Public Auditor Benjamin J.F. Cruz.

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