

Office of Inspector General
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Annual Work Plan

Calendar Year 2021



OIG Value Framework

Principles	Integrity – Respect – Excellence
Vision	Providing deep knowledge and sensible solutions through independent, positive engagement
Mission	<p>Conduct independent and objective audits and investigations of PBGC programs and operations</p> <p>Provide leadership to promote efficiency and effectiveness</p> <p>Prevent and detect fraud and abuse in PBGC programs and operations</p> <p>Keep the Board and Congress fully and currently informed about problems and deficiencies</p> <p>Report immediately to the Board whenever the Inspector General becomes aware of any particularly serious or flagrant problems</p> <p>Report expeditiously to the Attorney General whenever the Inspector General has reasonable grounds to believe there has been a violation of federal criminal law</p>
Pillars	People Focused – Process Oriented – Performance Driven

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Introduction

We conduct our business in accordance with the OIG Value Framework and strive to provide deep knowledge and sensible solutions through independent positive engagement. To fulfill our responsibilities under the Inspector General Act and our expectations under the OIG Value Framework, we issue a broad range of products including audits, evaluations, inspections, investigations, reviews, risk advisories, and white papers.

The work plan for Calendar Year 2021 falls into three categories:

- **Ongoing:** Engagements that were ongoing at the beginning of Calendar Year 2021.
- **Mandatory:** Engagements that are statutorily required.
- **Discretionary:** Engagements that are planned or under consideration based on risks facing the PBGC and after evaluating suggested topics from stakeholders.

We selected the discretionary projects based on risk, and we developed this plan after considering OIG's strategic plan and goals, PBGC's three strategic goals and performance, the OIG's FY 2019 Risk Assessment of PBGC Programs and Operations, the PBGC's Fraud Risk Profile (2017), the OIG's Top Management Challenges, prior audit and investigative work, and risk assessment information provided by the Corporation. We prioritized projects to address risk and make the best use of available OIG resources.

The project priority ratings are as follows:

Critical Risk – Immediate attention is required. Issues under review have the potential to involve serious internal control or risk management issue that if not mitigated, may lead to:

- Substantial financial losses, possibly in conjunction with other weaknesses in the control framework or the organizational entity or process being audited.
- Serious violation of a rule, regulation, or law.
- Serious reputation damage, such as negative publicity in national or international media.

High Risk – Timely management attention is warranted. This is an internal control or risk management issue that could lead to:

- Financial losses.

- Loss of controls within the organizational entity or process being audited.
- Reputation damage, such as negative publicity in local or regional media.

Medium Risk – Routine management attention is warranted. This is an internal control or risk management issue, the solution to which may lead to improvement in the quality and/or efficiency of the organizational entity or process being audited. Risks are limited.

Ongoing Engagements

Office of Benefit Administration's Actuarial Support Services Contract

(Project No. EV-20-143, announced November 21, 2019)

https://oig.pbqc.gov/pdfs/Ann_EV-20-143.pdf

To evaluate PBGC's compliance with applicable Federal Acquisition Regulations and PBGC policies. This may include acquisition planning, award, and oversight of the actuarial support services contract and selected task orders. This project was suspended in April 2020 to work on a high priority project (<https://oig.pbqc.gov/pdfs/AUD-2021-01.pdf>) and resumed work in January 2021. (PBGC Strategic Goals 2 and 3 and OIG Risk Rating: Critical)

PBGC's Implementation of Enterprise Risk Management

(Project No. EV-20-151, announced August 6, 2020)

https://oig.pbqc.gov/pdfs/Ann_EV-20-151.pdf

To assess PBGC's implementation of Enterprise Risk Management. (PBGC Strategic Goal 3 and OIG Risk Rating: High)

Mandatory Engagements

PBGC's FY 2020 Compliance with PIIA Requirements

To determine PBGC's FY 2020 compliance with requirements of the Payments Integrity Information Act of 2019 (previously IPERA). (PBGC Strategic Goals 2 and 3 and OIG Risk Rating: High)

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation's Fiscal Year 2020 and 2021 Financial Statements

Oversight of independent public accountant hired to express an opinion on whether PBGC financial statements are prepared in accordance with prescribed accounting principles. Scope includes (1) General-purpose financial statement, including internal controls and (2) Closing package. (PBGC Strategic Goals 1, 2, and 3 and OIG Risk Rating: Critical)

Purchase

Audit of the Data Act Implementation

To assess the (1) completeness, timeliness, quality, and accuracy of fiscal year 2021 second quarter financial and award data submitted for publication in USASpending.gov and (2) PBGC's implementation and use of the Government-wide financial data standards established by OMB and the Department of Treasury.

Purchase Card Risk Assessment of PBGC's Compliance with the Government Charge Card Abuse Prevention Act of 2012

To assess the government purchase card program to identify and analyze risks of illegal, improper or erroneous purchases and payments. (PBGC Strategic Goal 3 and OIG Risk Rating: Medium)

Annual Evaluation of the PBGC FISMA Program

Oversight of independent public accountant hired to evaluate PBGC information security program. As prescribed by the Federal Information Security Modernization Act (FISMA), the PBGC Inspector General is required to conduct annual evaluations of the PBGC security programs and practices, and to report the results of these evaluations to OMB. (PBGC Strategic Goal 3 and OIG Risk Rating: Critical)

Discretionary Engagements - Planned

PBGC's Missing Participants Program

To determine the effectiveness of the program in locating missing participants (PBGC Strategic Goal 1 and 2 and OIG Risk Rating: High)

IT Vulnerability and Penetration Testing

To provide oversight by our independent public accountant in the areas of vulnerability and penetration testing. (PBGC Strategic Goal 3 and OIG Risk Rating: Critical)

PBGC's Oversight of Plan Asset Evaluations and Participant Data Reviews

We would conduct an engagement of OBA's oversight of the work performed by the contractors on PAEs and PDRs. (PBGC's Strategic Goal 2 and OIG Risk Rating: High)

PBGC's Multiemployer Pension Insurance Modeling System and Projections Reporting

To determine if the reporting in the FY 2018 projections report accurately depict the information from Multiemployer Pension Insurance Modeling System and to determine if updates to the Pension Insurance Modeling System has made the system more flexible. (PBGC's Strategic Goal 1 and OIG Risk Rating: High)

PBGC's Use of Interagency Agreements

To determine if PBGC used interagency agreements in compliance with applicable regulations and Department policies. (PBGC's Strategic Goal 3 and OIG Risk Rating: High)

Discretionary Engagements - Under Consideration

PBGC's Management of Its Data Center

We would conduct an engagement to assess the PBGC's management of its data center and determine whether PBGC personnel properly monitored the contractors' performance. (PBGC's Strategic Goal 3 and OIG Risk Rating: Medium)

PBGC's Implementation of the Fraud Reduction and Data Analytics Act

To assess PBGC's implementation of the Fraud Reduction and Data Analytics Act. (PBGC's Strategic Goal 3 and OIG Risk Rating: High)

PBGC's Management of Mobile Devices

To determine whether OIT is implementing policies and procedures to mitigate information security weaknesses associated with mobile devices being used in PBGC's network infrastructure. (PBGC's Strategic Goal 3 and OIG Risk Rating: High)

PBGC Compliance with the Government Charge Card Abuse Prevention Act of 2012 for the Travel Card Program

To assess the government travel card program to identify and analyze risks of illegal, improper or erroneous purchases and payments. (PBGC Strategic Goal 3 and OIG Risk Rating: Medium)

PBGC's Freedom of Information Act Program

To determine if PBGC's FOIA program complies with current laws and regulations. (PBGC Strategic Goal 3 and OIG Risk Rating: Medium)



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