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DAY ONE AT-A-GLANCE

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Sessions



Tuesday | Pre-SUMMIT | Rosemont

8.19.25 **10:00 AM - 4:00 PM**
Quality Management Workshop

Dive headfirst into the AICPA's Statements on Quality Management Standards and their implementation during this interactive workshop combining lecture, group discussion, and firm-specific work. You'll walk away not just with theory but with practical steps for developing and documenting your firm's quality management system.

Heather Lindquist, CPA

Director, Peer Review and Professional Standards, Peer Review Alliance, Illinois CPA Society

Paul Pierson, CPA

Senior Director, Peer Review and Professional Standards, Peer Review Alliance, Illinois CPA Society

Wednesday | Day One

8.20.25

8.20.25 | 8:00 AM - 8:50 AM | Code: 100

GENERAL SESSION

The State of the CPA Profession: Staying Agile for What's Next

From new regulations and legislation to economic uncertainty, there's plenty of issues keeping CPAs on their toes as they try to serve their clients and companies. If this year has shown us anything so far, it's that being agile and adaptable is paramount. Join us as we dive into the changes, challenges, and trends impacting accounting and finance professionals today and discuss what's next as we steward the profession into the future.

Geoffrey Brown, CAE

President and CEO, Illinois CPA Society

Brian Blaha, CPA

Chairperson, Illinois CPA Society and Managing Director, Winding River Consulting

8.20.25 | 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM | Code: 101

Tax Ethics: Best Practices in SSTs

Dive into the ethical standards relevant to performing tax services. Discuss the revised AICPA Statements on Standards for Tax Services (SSTs) and Circular 230 using engaging real-life examples.

Luis Plascencia, CPA, MST

CPA Practitioner/Principal, Luis V Plascencia, CPA

8.20.25 | 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM | Code: 102

Psychological Safety: The Missing Link in Your Company Culture

A psychologically safe workplace promotes inclusivity, inspires creativity, builds trust, and improves team performance while helping employees manage stress—especially during times of change. While many firms struggle to prioritize psychological safety, those who do are seeing major benefits. Explore Google's findings on high-performing teams and learn practical strategies for applying this research to improve performance and retention in your firm.

Erin Daiber, CPA

CEO, Well Balanced Accountants



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8.20.25 | 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM | Code: 103

Advanced Concepts in Non-Audit Engagements

Get answers to your real-life non-audit questions and hear tips to minimize your quality control issues and professional liability risk. Examine the additional responsibilities between preparation engagements, compilations, and reviews. Explore the best practices for maintaining high-quality Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services engagements and learn how to analyze common peer review issues with agreed-upon procedure engagements.

Jennifer Louis

President, Emergent Solutions Group LLC

8.20.25 | 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM | Code: 104

Hot Topics in Cryptocurrency

Hear an insightful discussion of the latest hot topics in today's fast-moving cryptocurrency arena.

Shehan Chandrasekera, CPA

Head of Tax Strategy, CoinTracker

8.20.25 | 10:15 AM - 11:05 AM | Code: 105

Sales Tax Update: Illinois and Beyond

Receive a dynamic and timely overview of the most significant sales tax developments impacting businesses in Illinois and across the nation. Discuss key legislative and regulatory changes in the taxation of rentals and leases and compare how different states are approaching the taxation of digital advertising and products. Plus, assess the impact of recent nexus policy shifts on business operations, compliance obligations, and more.

Diane L. Yetter, CPA, MST

President and Founder, Yetter Consulting Services Inc., Sales Tax Institute

8.20.25 | 10:15 AM - 11:05 AM | Code: 106

Embracing Creativity and Innovation in Accounting

It's time to fully embrace creative thinking in accounting and become the forward-thinking advisor that your clients, business partners, and teammates demand. Discover the importance of creative thinking in the field and learn techniques to sharpen your creative problem-solving skills. Leave with actionable tips, tricks, and techniques to transform yourself into the "go-to" person for new ideas and innovative solutions.

Mike Manalac, CPA

Accounting Manager, Google

8.20.25 | 10:15 AM - 11:05 AM | Code: 107

Avoiding Auditing Deficiencies in Yellow Book and Single Audits

Gain the insights and tools you need to avoid peer review deficiencies in your audits. Delve into the precautions to take when performing a financial audit under Yellow Book or a compliance audit under Uniform Guidance. Discuss the most misapplied concepts to avoid when testing internal controls and compliance.

Jennifer Louis

President, Emergent Solutions Group LLC

8.20.25 | 10:15 AM - 11:05 AM | Code: 108

The Transformative Role of AI in Accounting

Accountants are eager to use artificial intelligence (AI) tools to streamline tasks and save valuable time, but these tools can cause a ripple effect that goes beyond task automation throughout a firm. Examine the impact of AI on training needs and process adaptations within your firm. Discuss key considerations when introducing new tools and explore the implications for training programs, highlighting the necessity for upskilling in AI literacy, critical thinking, and more.

Erin Daiber, CPA

CEO, Well Balanced Accountants

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8.20.25 | 11:15 AM - 12:30 PM | Code: 109

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Get Your Head in the Game! Harnessing Your Mental Fitness

Today's most effective leaders are like elite athletes, charting their visions of success, building high-performing teams, and setting challenging goals. Learn how to navigate uncertainty and stress as you hone your leadership skills by boosting your mental fitness and emotional intelligence. Find out how to actively shift from a negative to a positive mindset regardless of the obstacle and take away proven tools and tactics to help leverage these strengths.

Kristen Fox, MBA, PCC, CPCC, CPQC

Practice Leader, Coaching and Leadership Development, TalentRise

8.20.25 | 1:25 PM - 2:15 PM | Code: 110

Business Tax Briefing: Key Updates, Insights, and Client Strategies

Discuss recent developments related to business tax and their impact on your clients. Explore updates from the United States Department of the Treasury and other legislative updates. Walk away with planning opportunities to present to your clients.

Mark Mirsky, CPA, MST

Partner, Aprio Advisory Group LLC

8.20.25 | 1:25 PM - 2:15 PM | Code: 111

Transform Your Life in 30 Days With These Holistic Habits

Whether you're launching your career, leading a team, or planning your next chapter, discover how to bridge the gap between where you are now and where you want to be. Hear simple yet powerful habits to improve focus, reduce stress, and create more time for what matters most. Walk away with practical strategies to improve productivity, strengthen work-life balance, and align your daily actions with your long-term vision.

Charlene Rhinehart, CPA, PMP, DTM

Personal Finance Editor, GoodRx

8.20.25 | 1:25 PM - 2:15 PM | Code: 112

The Rapid Emergence of AI in Auditing

AI is quickly reshaping the audit landscape. Explore practical applications of AI in external financial statement audits, from risk assessment and data analysis to testing and documentation. Gain insights into how AI tools can complement professional judgment, streamline workflows, and strengthen audit evidence. Dive into real-world examples and best practices for integration and learn how to maintain auditor responsibility and skepticism in an evolving technology environment.

Megan Angle, CPA

Partner, Porte Brown LLC

8.20.25 | 1:25 PM - 2:15 PM | Code: 113

Beyond the Numbers: FP&A for Strategic Accountants

Financial planning and analysis (FP&A) isn't just for finance teams! Learn techniques for constructing dynamic business models that can integrate historical data, test assumptions, and translate intelligence into presentation-ready summaries. Whether you're supporting budgeting, forecasting, or scenario planning, discover how to deliver financial models that inform smarter business decisions.

Carl Seidman, CPA, CSP

Principal, Seidman Financial



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8.20.25 | 2:25 PM - 3:15 PM | Code: 114

Developments and Opportunities in International Tax

Track key developments in international tax rules and regulations. Explore export incentives for U.S. businesses. Hear strategies and tips to help foreign taxpayers invest in U.S. companies.

Mark Mirsky, CPA, MST

Partner, Aprio Advisory Group LLC

Michael Campbell, CPA, MTax

International Tax Director, Aprio Advisory Group LLC

8.20.25 | 2:25 PM - 3:15 PM | Code: 115

Leading the Future: Managing and Supporting Young Professionals

Today's young professionals bring fresh perspectives, tech-savviness, and a desire for meaningful work—yet many supervisors struggle to manage and lead them effectively. Explore their values, workplace challenges, and expectations, and gain insights into how to help them thrive as managers to better engage, develop, and retain them during this lively panel discussion.

Manal Ahmed

Student & Diversity Outreach Specialist,
Illinois CPA Society

8.20.25 | 2:25 PM - 3:15 PM | Code: 116

Get Ready for the New Quality Management Standards

With the Dec. 15 effective date of the Statements on Quality Management Standards quickly approaching, learning the ins and outs of these standards is more critical than ever. Delve into questions about the design, documentation, implementation, and operation of your firm's quality management system while considering the impact of the standards on your day-to-day operations.

Heather Lindquist, CPA

Director, Peer Review and Professional Standards,
Peer Review Alliance, Illinois CPA Society

8.20.25 | 2:25 PM - 3:15 PM | Code: 117

Variance Analysis Insights and Implementation

Uncover the "why" behind the numbers and translate financial performance into meaningful insights with variance analysis! Explore how to structure variance reports, identify trends, and communicate actionable recommendations to leadership. Learn Excel shortcuts and leverage visualizations to highlight key deviations. Come away with a practical and implementation-ready approach to recurring reporting and correspondence.

Carl Seidman, CPA, CSP

Principal, Seidman Financial

8.20.25 | 3:45 PM - 5:00 PM | Code: 118

Catch Me If You Can: Today's Pink Collar Criminal

Embezzlement is a crime hiding in plain sight, and it's often committed by long-term, trusted employees. Examine why this relatable and rapidly growing form of fraud is impacting organizations of all kinds. Learn how to spot the "pink flags," hear strategies for protecting your assets, and discover ways to ensure your most trusted team member isn't hiding a devastating secret.

Kelly Paxton, CFE

Principal, K Paxton LLC

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8.21.25 | 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM | Code: 200

The U.S. Economy: Labor Challenges and Solutions

Receive an update on the trajectory of the U.S. economy with a focus on labor challenges and solutions. Discuss the direction of the Federal Reserve and the impact of government policies on trade, tax, and spending.

Jeffrey Korzenik

Chief Investment Strategist, Fifth Third Bank

David Snyder

President and CEO, The Economic Club of Chicago

8.21.25 | 9:25 AM - 10:15 AM | Code: 201

Individual Tax Update

Discuss tax regulations and recent changes while discovering new strategies to help mitigate tax implications your clients may be facing.

Sali L. Sheafor, CPA

Member, TAP Consulting LLC

8.21.25 | 9:25 AM - 10:15 AM | Code: 202

Navigating Conflicts and Difficult Conversations

In today's dynamic work environments, navigating conflicts and handling difficult conversations with grace and professionalism are invaluable skills. Whether you're a manager or team member, conflicts and challenging discussions are a part of professional life. Equip yourself with the tools and strategies to effectively manage and resolve conflicts, fostering a more harmonious and productive workplace.

Susan Stutzel, CPA

Partner, PartnersCoach Inc.

8.21.25 | 9:25 AM - 10:15 AM | Code: 203

Firm Acquisitions: Liability Risk Considerations for Buyers and Sellers

Whether you're a buyer or seller of a CPA firm, or considering a private equity investment, there are risk considerations that can't be ignored. Learn the pitfalls to avoid as you venture into transaction territory.

Stan Sterna, JD

Risk Control Leader, Aon

Sarah Ference, CPA

Risk Control Director, CNA Insurance

8.21.25 | 9:25 AM - 10:15 AM | Code: 204

Why Good Strategies Fail: The Four Keys to Organizational Effectiveness

Unlock organizational effectiveness to drive long-term growth by focusing on four key elements: operating model/structure, skills, talent, and talent effectiveness. Together, these components empower organizations to not only design effective strategies but also execute them successfully, ensuring a framework for sustained growth and adaptability in an ever-evolving landscape.

Dwain Young, Jr., PHR

Director, Protiviti



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The Ins and Outs of IRAs

Putting money into retirement isn't as easy as making a deposit. The options for planning ahead seem endless as we scour through the many types of accounts and work to ensure penalties stay at bay. Hear tips for maximizing your retirement funds, including when to watch for Medicare in tax planning and when to consider a back-door Roth IRA conversion.

Sali L. Sheafor, CPA

Member, TAP Consulting LLC

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Earning Your Seat at the Leadership Table

How do we get invited to have a seat at the table? Don't fake it till you make it—develop the skills to lead with confidence as your authentic self. Understand the micromessages you're sending and walk away with the strategies you need to step up, stand out, and confidently earn your seat at the leadership table.

Susan Stutzel, CPA

Partner, PartnersCoach Inc.

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Inside FASB's 2025 Agenda

This year, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) is finishing priority projects and looking to the future. Discuss what you need to know about new and upcoming standards, hear the latest on post-implementation reviews, examine the feedback received from the 2025 comment periods, and discover how your continued input on projects and initiatives informs the board's cost-benefit analysis to ensure standards are effective and operable.

Hillary Salo, CPA

Vice Chair, Financial Accounting Standards Board

8.21.25 | 10:40 AM - 11:30 AM | Code: 208

The Outsourcing Edge: CAS Advantages for Small- to Medium-Sized Businesses

As technology evolves rapidly and staffing shortages persist, small- and medium-sized businesses (SMBs) are increasingly turning to outsourced financial support. Explore how client accounting services (CAS) practices can strategically position themselves to offer sustainable solutions for the pain points SMB clients are experiencing today.

Seth Hopkins

Director, Forvis Mazars US

8.21.25 | 11:40 AM - 12:30 PM | Code: 209

Cultivating Creativity to Transform Your Career

In today's data-driven, automated world, the most impactful finance and accounting professionals aren't just technically strong—they're strategic thinkers, storytellers, and problem-solvers who leverage creativity to drive business decisions. Through real-world examples and actionable insights, challenge the idea that creativity and accounting are mutually exclusive and explore ways to elevate your career and add value to your organization.

Liz Barhydt, CPA, CMA

CFO, Optimism

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Rich and Famous in Illinois: Strategies for Working With High-Net-Worth Clients

Every new client is an adrenaline rush, but if it's a high-profile or high-net-worth client, it's even more exciting—until a dispute arises. Learn why working with the rich and famous may result in expensive and time-consuming claims and hear strategies for reducing the impact on your firm.

Deborah K. Rood, CPA, MST

Risk Control Consulting Director, CNA Insurance

Jeremy Dubow, CPA, MST

Tax Partner, Prosperity Partners LLC

8.21.25 | 1:25 PM - 2:15 PM | Code: 211

Make It Clear, Make It Count: Communication That Drives Action

Session Sponsor:  **Hollinden**
growth without guesswork

Sharpen your communication style, strengthen your messaging, and leverage AI tools like ChatGPT to improve clarity and save yourself time. Learn how to lead with intent, motivate your team, and ensure your message cuts through the noise—whether you're writing a client email, delivering performance feedback, or preparing a firmwide announcement. Walk away with communication tactics and resources you can implement immediately.

Christine M. Hollinden, CPSM, CEPA, CVGA, CM&AA

Partner, Hollinden

8.21.25 | 1:25 PM - 2:15 PM | Code: 212

What's Happening at the AICPA

The AICPA is buzzing with activity in 2025—stay ahead of the curve with a comprehensive overview of what's happening. Explore the new quality management standards becoming effective this year and their impact on practice management. Dive into the latest Auditing Standards Board proposals, then close with a quick review of Statements on Auditing Standards No. 149 for group audits, which will be effective next year.

Melisa Galasso, CPA

Founder and CEO, Galasso Learning Solutions

8.21.25 | 1:25 PM - 2:15 PM | Code: 213

AI in Excel: ChatGPT, Copilot, or Both?

Gain a competitive edge! Walk through integrating AI tools like Microsoft 365 Copilot and ChatGPT into Excel to enhance your productivity. Dive deep into Microsoft's security, compliance, privacy, and responsible AI principles, and discuss practical uses of Copilot, ChatGPT, and other plugins in daily workflows to streamline tasks and improve overall efficiency.

Randy Johnston, MCS

Executive Vice President, K2 Enterprises

8.21.25 | 2:25 PM - 3:40 PM | Code: 214

The Evolving Technology Landscape

Delve into today's technology landscape and its implications for the accounting sector. Learn which trends are worth monitoring and examine the proper hardware and software for your strategic and tactical plans. Explore the influence of AI, quantum computing, software as a service, and productivity suites like Microsoft 365. Leave with actionable insights on how to maximize your return on investment.

Randy Johnston, MCS

Executive Vice President, K2 Enterprises

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Revolutionizing Tax Advisory: Leveraging Technology to Drive Business Growth

Session Sponsor:  **Wolters Kluwer**

Join us for an engaging workshop on best practices to deliver strategic advisory services. Learn how advanced technology can help your firm drive revenue growth and elevate client service.

Betty Ross

Director, Product Management, Wolters Kluwer

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Ethics and Privacy in AI

Since its emergence in 2022, generative AI has transformed industries, but rapid adoption has raised concerns about data misuse and confidentiality. As AI regulations tighten, it's critical to establish ethical guidelines, but complex terms of service and end-user license agreements are often overlooked. Learn how to demystify these agreements and develop and enforce principles addressing privacy and the responsible use of AI.

Randy Johnston, MCS

Executive Vice President, K2 Enterprises

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Post Implementation Review

Discuss the impacts of recent AICPA and FASB activities. Get started with a review of current expected credit loss and other recent standard-setting to address implementation issues, then assess the impact of Statement on Auditing Standards No. 145, and hear insights from peer review.

Melisa Galasso, CPA

Founder and CEO, Galasso Learning Solutions

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AI Safety and Governance in the Workplace

AI is a hot topic in nearly every industry, but with significant upside comes substantial risk—fraud, bias, data security, and internet protocol (IP) issues. By 2026, municipal, state, federal, and international regulations will be in place regarding the safe use of AI and will require organizations to implement robust governance practices. Discuss the steps you should take to safeguard your organization's interests in this fast-moving era of innovation.

John Rood

President, Proceptual Inc



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☐	113	1:25 ^{PM} - 2:15 ^{PM}	Beyond the Numbers: FP&A for Strategic Accountants	Finance	1 CPE/1 CFP
☐	114	2:25 ^{PM} - 3:15 ^{PM}	Developments and Opportunities in International Tax	Taxes	1 CPE/.75 CLE/1 CFP/1 EA

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☐	116	2:25 ^{PM} - 3:15 ^{PM}	Get Ready for the New Quality Management Standards	Auditing	1 CPE
☐	117	2:25 ^{PM} - 3:15 ^{PM}	Variance Analysis Insights and Implementation	Finance	1 CPE/1 CFP
☐	118	3:45^{PM} - 5:00^{PM}	General Session: Catch Me If You Can: Today's Pink Collar Criminal	Behavioral Ethics	1.5 CPE/1.5 Ethics

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☐	200	8:00^{AM} - 9:15^{AM}	General Session: The U.S. Economy: Labor Challenges and Solutions	Economics	1.5 CPE/1.25 CLE/1.5 CFP
☐	201	9:25 ^{AM} - 10:15 ^{AM}	Individual Tax Update	Taxes	1 CPE/.75 CLE/1 CFP/1 EA
☐	202	9:25 ^{AM} - 10:15 ^{AM}	Navigating Conflicts and Difficult Conversations	Personal Development	1 CPE
☐	203	9:25 ^{AM} - 10:15 ^{AM}	Firm Acquisitions: Liability Risk Considerations for Buyers and Sellers	Business Management & Organization	1 CPE/.75 CLE/1 CFP
☐	204	9:25 ^{AM} - 10:15 ^{AM}	Why Good Strategies Fail: The Four Keys to Organizational Effectiveness	Business Management & Organization	1 CPE
☐	205	10:40 ^{AM} - 11:30 ^{AM}	The Ins and Outs of IRAs	Taxes	1 CPE/.75 CLE/1 CFP/1 EA
☐	206	10:40 ^{AM} - 11:30 ^{AM}	Earning Your Seat at the Leadership Table	Personal Development	1 CPE
☐	207	10:40 ^{AM} - 11:30 ^{AM}	Inside FASB's 2025 Agenda	Accounting	1 CPE
☐	208	10:40 ^{AM} - 11:30 ^{AM}	The Outsourcing Edge: CAS Advantages for Small- to Medium-Sized Businesses	Business Management & Organization	1 CPE
☐	209	11:40^{AM} - 12:30^{PM}	General Session: Cultivating Creativity to Transform Your Career	Personal Development	1 CPE
☐	210	1:25 ^{PM} - 2:15 ^{PM}	Rich and Famous in Illinois: Strategies for Working With High-Net-Worth Clients	Specialized Knowledge	1 CPE/.75 CLE/1 CFP/1 EA
☐	211	1:25 ^{PM} - 2:15 ^{PM}	Make It Clear, Make It Count: Communication That Drives Action	Personal Development	1 CPE
☐	212	1:25 ^{PM} - 2:15 ^{PM}	What's Happening at the AICPA	Auditing	1 CPE
☐	213	1:25 ^{PM} - 2:15 ^{PM}	AI in Excel: ChatGPT, Copilot, or Both?	Information Technology	1 CPE
☐	214	2:25^{PM} - 3:40^{PM}	General Session: The Evolving Technology Landscape	Information Technology	1.5 CPE
☐	215	4:10 ^{PM} - 5:00 ^{PM}	Revolutionizing Tax Advisory: Leveraging Technology to Drive Business Growth	Taxes	1 CPE/.75 CLE/1 CFP/1 EA
☐	216	4:10 ^{PM} - 5:00 ^{PM}	Ethics and Privacy in AI	Behavioral Ethics	1 CPE/1 Ethics
☐	217	4:10 ^{PM} - 5:00 ^{PM}	Post Implementation Review	Auditing	1 CPE
☐	218	4:10 ^{PM} - 5:00 ^{PM}	AI Safety and Governance in the Workplace	Information Technology	1 CPE

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