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**Office of the State Auditor Releases its Internal Control Audit of the  
Office of the Attorney General and its Medicaid Fraud Control Unit**

**Salt Lake City, UTAH –**

The Office of the State Auditor (Office) today released its Audit of the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) and its Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. The audit focuses on key internal controls within the OAG.

The term “internal controls” describes the policies and processes to provide consistent and efficient operations, including reasonable assurance that public funds will be properly safeguarded. Proper internal controls include separating certain responsibilities so that no one person has the ability to misappropriate public funds without detection, including separating the responsibilities for authorization of expenditures, custody of assets, financial record keeping, and financial reconciliation.

The report may be found on the Office’s website at [auditor.utah.gov](http://auditor.utah.gov) and specifically at: <https://reporting.auditor.utah.gov/servlet/servlet.FileDownload?file=01541000002uVM0AA2> .

**About the Office of the State Auditor**

The Office of the State Auditor provides Utah taxpayers and government officials with an independent assessment of financial operation, statutory compliance, and performance management for state and local government.

Specific activities of the Office include performing financial audits, conducting Federal funds compliance audits, providing local government oversight, conducting agency and program performance audits, performing fraud and compliance audits, and operating the State Auditor Hotline for citizens to report suspected financial issues or improprieties. These capabilities strengthen Utah State Government and help taxpayers have confidence in the integrity of Utah’s government agencies.

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