



## Project Name

Evaluation of the Agency Performance and Accountability Commission.

21-000-02-APAC-REVIEW

Priority Program Evaluation: the expected completion is six to eight months from the date of written notification to agencies under review, which took place September 29, 2020.

## Project Background

The Agency Performance and Accountability Commission (APAC) was created in 2017 with the goal of auditing the performance of the twenty largest appropriated state agencies every four years, and other agencies as needed. In 2018, the Commission awarded \$1.4 million in contracts for independent comprehensive performance audits of six state agencies: District Attorneys Council, Office of Management and Enterprise Services, Department of Corrections, Department of Public Safety, Oklahoma Tax Commission, and the Office of Juvenile Affairs. The statute creating APAC also mandated that audited agencies implement resulting recommendations.

With the creation of the Legislative Office of the Fiscal Transparency on May 24, 2019, all APAC supporting statutes were repealed.

## Original Scope and Project Description

### **Project Description:**

Review the performance audits completed by the contracted consultants of APAC.

### **Scope of Work:**

Perform an output analysis on the intended increased performance results stemming from APAC recommendations.

## Material Findings from Entrance Conference

Due to the diversified nature of the project, in lieu of an entrance conference, the six audited agencies were provided an opportunity for an individual conference call or meeting. All the agencies were provided an identical set of questions regarding their audits' recommendations.

## Evaluation Objectives

The key objective of the review is to identify the return on investment in the form of improvements made by audited agencies. The goal is to identify policy, fiscal, or management changes resulting from the audits.

This evaluation seeks answers to the following questions:

1. Which recommendations have been implemented by audited agencies?
2. Has the implementation of recommendations converted into increased performance?
3. How was the increased performance measured?
4. Did agencies submit a recommendations implementation schedule as required by APAC?
5. Did agencies initiate other improvements because of the audits?

