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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

National Academy of Public Administration to Hold Forum on GAO's High Risk List and How Agencies Can Resolve Risk Concerns

U.S. Comptroller General Gene Dodaro Will Give Keynote Address

WASHINGTON, DC – The National Academy of Public Administration will hold a forum on the U.S. Government Accounting Office's (GAO) 2017 High Risk List, and how federal agencies can successfully resolve GAO's concerns. The forum will feature a keynote address from U.S. Comptroller General Gene Dodaro, as well as a panel discussion between representatives of agencies that have established campaigns to address issue identified on GAO's High Risk List.

At the start of each new Congress, GAO calls attention to agencies and program areas that are high risk due to their vulnerabilities to fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement, or are most in need of transformation. Since GAO's last list in 2015, many of the 32 high-risk areas on that list have shown solid progress.

In addition to the panel discussions, the event will feature facilitated discussions where event attendees can exchange ideas about how to translate the information gained into practical strategies in their agencies and how these strategies might be included in agency reform plans due to the U.S. Office of Management and Budget in September.

The event is sponsored by George Washington University and American University. To register to attend, please click here.

WHAT: National Academy of Public Administration forum on

The High Risk List: How Agencies Can Successfully Resolve GAO's

Concerns

WHEN: August 23, 2017

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (registration begins at 8:00 a.m.)

WHERE: George Washington University

Cloyd Heck Marvin Center

800 21<sup>st</sup> Street, N.W. – Suite 204

Washington, D.C. 20052

WHO: Terry Gerton, President and CEO, National Academy of Public

Administration (opening remarks)

**The Honorable Gene Dodaro,** U.S. Comptroller General (keynote speaker)

**Dr. Carolyn Clancy,** Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Organizational Excellence, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs **Kristen French,** Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for

Logistics and Material Readiness, U.S. Department of Defense

Veronica Villalobos, Principal Deputy Associate Director, Employee

Service, U.S. Office of Personnel Management

Sallyanne Harper, President, Association for Federal Enterprise Risk

Management (moderator)

**MEDIA:** Media should RSVP to bholahan@greatpointstrategies.com

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