



The Connecticut Society of CPAs

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CTCPA Groups and Committees

Special Interest Groups

Join groups and find upcoming meetings at www.ctcpas.org/Groups.

Connect with colleagues, subject matter experts, regulators, legislators, and more. Whether you're a seasoned professional looking to give back or a young professional just discovering your path, every member is welcome to join these special interest groups.



Accounting, Auditing, Financial Reporting Group

Discuss exposure drafts and enhance relationships with standard-setters.

Contact: Cindy Panioto • cindyp@ctcpas.org



Cannabis Group

Meet and learn together with others exploring and working in this new hot topic.

Contact: Lisa Bugryn • lisab@ctcpas.org



Chief Financial Officers Group (Exploratory)

Share best practices, industry trends, regulatory updates, and offer professional development opportunities.

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Educators Group

Discuss hot topics in this candid, conversational group.

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Employee Benefit Plans Group

Discuss issues affecting benefit plans, program audits, and employers.

Contact: Lisa Bugryn • lisab@ctcpas.org



Federal Taxation Group

Discuss issues and build relationships with legislators and regulators.

Contact: Cindy Panioto • cindyp@ctcpas.org



Financial Institutions Group

Share trends, regulatory and legislative developments, and new pronouncements.

Contact: April DiFalco • aprild@ctcpas.org



Firm/Company Administrators Group

Connect and learn about best practices and tools to help your organization grow.

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Golf Group

Support scholarships/grants by helping plan our annual golf tournament.

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Governmental Accounting & Auditing Group

Talk FASB, GASB, and single audits with public sector and audit professionals.

Contact: Lisa Bugryn • lisab@ctcpas.org



Internal Audit Group (Exploratory)

Connect with fellow industry members in audit for idea sharing and collaboration opportunities.

Contact: Cindy Panioto • cindyp@ctcpas.org



Not-for-Profit Organizations Group

Focus on accounting, taxation, and financial reporting for not-for-profits.

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State Taxation Group

Navigate the regulatory and legislative aspects of Connecticut tax compliance.

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TechConneCT Roundtable

Ask and answer questions on anything related to technology or software at our interactive roundtables.

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Trust, Estate, and Gift Taxation Group

Discuss taxation, trusts, gifting strategies, and more.

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Leadership Committees

Leadership committees have specific membership requirements and appointment procedures. Please contact the staff liaison for more.



Membership Committee

Help the CTCPA with recruitment as well as evaluating member benefits.

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New & Young Professionals Cabinet

Plan programs and volunteer opportunities for members aged 35 and younger.

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Peer Review Committee

Stay ahead of changing standards and explore the peer review market niche. *Membership by CTCPA Chair appointment.*

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Investment Committee

Oversee the CTCPA's investment portfolio and report to the Board of Directors.

Contact: Bonnie Stewart • bonnies@ctcpas.org

Governance Committees

Governance committees are by election or appointment only. Please contact the staff liaison for more.



Bylaws Committee

Recommend bylaws modifications to the Board of Directors and voting members. *Membership by CTCPA Chair appointment.*

Contact: Bonnie Stewart • bonnies@ctcpas.org



Nominating Committee

Nominate a slate of leadership nominees and Advisory Council appointees. *Membership by CTCPA Advisory Council election.*

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Professional Ethics Committee

Investigate ethics complaints and maintain the Code of Professional Conduct. *Membership by CTCPA Chair appointment.*

Contact: Lynette Lindner • lynettel@ctcpas.org



Audit-Review Committee

Recommend and oversee an independent CPA firm attestation engagement. *Membership by CTCPA Chair appointment.*

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Joining the CTCPA, Paying Dues, and Using Membership Tools

Joining the CTCPA
Paying membership dues or billing classes
Member discounts and insurance savings
Logging into and using the CTCPA website
Listing yourself in the Find a CPA search engine
Email subscriptions

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Legislative and Regulatory Matters

State and federal legislative matters
CPA regulation/State Board of Accountancy
Relationships with regulators

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Becoming a CPA and Maintaining Your Certification

Becoming a CPA and the CPA Exam
Scholarships and grants
Ethics Exam purchases
Professional ethics

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Career Resources

Help wanted and mergers classifieds postings
Posting volunteer opportunities

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Continuing Professional Education and Professional Development

Educational programs that come to your office
CPE requirements and compliance
Speaking at educational sessions
Course/conference registrations

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Technical Accounting Questions and Practice Management

Peer review PRIMA support
Peer review technical issues
Professional ethics

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Engaging Your Network and Enhancing Your Personal Brand

Special events and networking programs
New and young professionals
Listing yourself in the Find a CPA search engine
CTCPA Connect online community
Free professional headshots
Writing for our publications
Using the "Member of CTCPA" logo

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Volunteering in Your Community

Charity drives and volunteer projects
High school and college student outreach

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Partnerships, Sponsorships, and Advertising

Partnership/sponsorship/advertising opportunities **Cindy Panioto** • cindyp@ctcpas.org • 860-258-0213

Please reach out to us for any of the topics listed here or more.

Not sure where to start?
Contact us at:

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Other Helpful Contacts

Connecticut State Board of Accountancy

(Housed under the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection)

www.ct.gov/dcp
860-713-6100

Licensing/certification email:
dcp.licensecpa@ct.gov

Enforcement issues email:
dcp.accounting@ct.gov

National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA)

www.nasba.org
615-880-4200

CPA Examination Services 800-CPA-EXAM (800-272-3926)

Connecticut Department of Revenue Services

www.ct.gov/drs
860-297-5962

Connecticut IRS Senior Stakeholder Liaison

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