

Peer Review Regional Advisory Board (RAB) Member Position Qualifications

A majority of the RAB members, along with the chairperson, charged with the overall responsibility for administering the program, should possess the qualifications required of a team captain in a system review. In addition, RAB members need to complete training that meets the requirements established by the board.

Qualifications:

- 1. Be a member of the AICPA in good standing, licensed to practice as a CPA.
- 2. Be currently involved in public practice as a partner, manager, or person with equivalent responsibilities in accounting or auditing practice or carrying out a quality control function in the member's firm.
- 3. Must have spent the last five years practicing public accounting in the accounting or auditing function.
- 4. Be employed by or be an owner of a firm that has received a report with a peer review rating of pass or pass with scope limitations for its most recent peer review. The report should have been accepted timely.
- 5. Agree to confidentiality and conflict-of-interest requirements of the program.
- 6. Mitigate familiarity threats that can exist among committees/RABs, technical reviewers, peer reviewers, and firms by following the safeguards in accordance with the administering entity's policy and procedures.

Such involvement prohibits individuals from serving in this role:

- A committee member does not meet the required qualification of a committee member if
 the member's ability to practice public accounting or perform peer reviews has been
 restricted by a regulatory, monitoring or enforcement body beginning on the date the
 member is notified of the restriction and ending on the date that the restriction has been
 removed.
- RAB members must inform the administering entity when commencing or planning to commence enforcement related work as a member, employee, consultant, volunteer (or other similar arrangement) of:
 - a) The AICPA or state CPA society ethics committee
 - b) The AICPA Joint Trial Board
 - c) A state board of accountancy (or other regulatory agencies, governmental bodies or similar groups or subgroups)