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THEORETICAL AND PRACTICAL ASPECTS OF INTERNAL AUDIT OF PUBLIC SECTOR ENTITIES

Summary

On the way towards European integration in Ukraine, public sector entities are in the stage of reform, one of the priority areas of which is to replenish the revenues of the special fund by increasing the volume of paid services. Thus, the instability of their financial condition, the presence of internal imbalances necessitates the introduction of an internal audit system in all directions of the institution's functioning, as a mechanism for improving their management efficiency.

The article investigates the mechanism of implementation of the internal audit system by public sector entities of Ukraine, identifies its advantages and problems. The methodology of preparation of the audit report, the directions and methods of audit are grounded, the priority ways of public sector entities to further work on the methodological support of the main tasks of internal audit are determined. The conducted research contains a practical component, since it is based on the example of the regional municipal institution "Chernivtsi Regional Clinical Hospital", on the materials of which the activity of the institution on the legality and reliability of financial and budget reporting, correctness of accounting, adherence to the acts of legislation on the issues of asset preservation and property management

Investigating the theoretical principles of internal audit implementation, examining the importance of internal audit for public sector entities summarized the methodology for conducting it.

We have separated different approaches to defining the concept of internal audit by a circle of scientists, as well as its coverage in the legislation of Ukraine, established its necessity, and identified the benefits of implementation in the activity of public sector entities.

Thus, it is established that internal auditors should begin work on approving the Plan and determining the composition of the audit team. Auditors determine risky operations, taking into account the specifics of the institution's activities, methods, and techniques of research. The audit report concludes with grounded recommendations to the head, as well as departments of the budgetary institution.

<u>Keywords:</u> audit report, internal audit, audit methodology, internal audit organization, and public sector entities.

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