

## OFFICE OF THE FSM NATIONAL PUBLIC AUDITOR

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## ONPA Releases Agreed Upon Procedures on the "Project for Prevention of Non-Communicable Diseases in Sokehs Municipality, Pohnpei State"

The Office of the National Public Auditor (ONPA) announces the release of Audit Report No. 2016-03, Agreed Upon Procedures on the "Project for Prevention of Non-Communicable Diseases in Sokehs Municipality, Pohnpei State". A digital copy of the audit is available for public review online at <u>www.fsmopa.fm</u> and printed copies are available at the ONPA office in Palikir, Pohnpei. This engagement was conducted based on a request by the College of Micronesia-FSM as a required condition for the grant.

The project was funded by the Embassy of Japan to the FSM through a \$120,569 grant that was awarded to the College of Micronesia-FSM as the recipient. The main objective of the project was to build a quality size field for sports and other health promoting activities. Students and local residents residing in Sokehs Municipality, Pohnpei State are the intended beneficiaries of the project.

The procedures that we performed consist of (1) confirming that the grant was used properly for the purchase of goods and services for the project and that all expenses were valid and properly supported, (2) identifying existence of the project, (3) ensuring that applicable laws and regulations regarding procurement and competitive bidding were adhered to during the selection and acquisition of products and/or services, and (4) verifying the execution of plans for maintenance and public awareness.

Based on the procedures performed, we identified issues relating to the implementation of the project as follows;

- > proper documentation supporting deliveries was not prepared at the time of delivery,
- procurement of goods did not comply with the College's procurement policies,
- > request for financial reports was not provided, and
- > targeted goals of the project have not yet been achieved.

Notwithstanding the above, we commend the College of Micronesia-FSM for their continuous efforts in making the campus facilities meet the needs of the students, faculty, and community.

Our audit was conducted in accordance with the Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, which incorporates certain attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

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