

ONPA DEVELOPS ITS FIRST FOLLOW-UP GUIDELINES & AIMS TO IMPROVE IMPACT OF AUDITS AND INSPECTIONS

On January 19, 2023, our internal Working Group on audit and inspection follow-ups carried out its first awareness to all staff on the newly drafted *Follow-Up Guidelines* that was developed to provide guidance to auditors that perform follow-ups of prior audit and inspection recommendations.



Over the years, our office realized the need to strengthen our follow-up on the implementation of recommendations that were issued in the past in order to verify the impact of our engagements. Follow-up is also in line with one of our strategic goals to “*strengthen accountability and transparency in the government through impactful audits and investigations*”

The *Follow-Up Guidelines* outline the procedures to be taken annually and during each follow-up engagement project (planning, fieldwork, and reporting phases), and also shows the outputs to be delivered for each activity and to be filed in the Team Mate+ audit software.

As part of the FY2023 workplan, the drafting of the *Follow-up Guidelines* was assigned to a Working Group within the Audit Division and the members included Neong, Shelolyn and Miriama. The Public Auditor commends the team for achieving this output, for creating the awareness, and for including the feedback of staff in the preparation of ONPA’s first *Follow-Up Guidelines*.