# What does Confidentiality mean for you?

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# **DID YOU KNOW!**

Employees who disclose information to the OIG do not have to request confidentiality - IT IS AUTOMATIC!

This confidentiality is provided by the Inspector General Act (407 of title 5) to encourage employees to provide complete and candid information to the OIG and to generally protect the integrity of the OIG inauirv.

The OIG may disclose an employee's identity without consent only in extremely limited circumstances in which the IG determines that such disclosure is unavoidable during the course of the investigation or if it is otherwise required by law.

## WHY CHOOSE US?

The GPO OIG hotline is available to all GPO employees, contractors, and members of the public who wish to report allegations of fraud, waste, abuse of mismanagement within GPO programs and operations.

### **CONTACT US**



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#### **CONFIDENTIALITY FOR ALL GPO EMPLOYEES**

Under GPO Directive 1215.1B, Program to Eliminate Fraud, Waste, and Abuse in GPO Programs and Operations, all employees are responsible for:

- Reporting as soon as possible to the Inspector General illegal activity, wrongdoing, waste, indication of irregularities, or violations of laws, rules, or regulations in GPO programs or activities.
- Cooperating with OIG investigative and/or audit personnel in investigations, audits, or reviews.



#### **CONFIDENTIALITY AND** MANAGERS

Management officials are responsible for ensuring that their subordinates cooperate fully with the OIG and that officials themselves avoid any action that could hinder employee cooperation.

Management officials should not question employees about OIG interviews, including details of questions asked, answers given, or the content of the interviews.

Whistleblower Protection Act, <u>5 U.S.C. § 2302(b)(8)-(9)</u>

Management cannot retaliate or threaten to retaliate against an employee for making a complaint or disclosing information to the OIG

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