

Compliance Issues

Director

Compliance Center INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE Street City, State, Zip (000) 000 - 0000



Automated Collection System(ACS)

- 1. Handles incoming calls on collection issues
- 2. Resolves balances due and secure delinquent returns
- 3. Issues Notices of Levy for unresolved balance due cases
- 4. Files Notices of Federal Tax Lien, as appropriate, to secure government interests
- 5. Handles Collection Due Process Appeals



Collection Due Process (CDP)

- Method used to appeal:
- 1. Filing of the Notice of Federal Tax Lien
- 2. Issuing of the Notice of Intent to Levy
- Taxpayers notified of their rights to appeal via:
- 1. Pub 1660, Collection Appeal Rights, Taxpayers Request a Hearing
- 2. Form 12153, Request for a Collection Due Processing Hearing



Service Center Collection

- 1. Assist taxpayers in resolving balances due or filing delinquent returns
- 2. Prepare returns through Automated Substitute for Return program for non-filers
- 3. Process Questionable W-4s at Fresno Campus



Installment Agreement Request Reminders

Practitioners should:

- 1. Inquire about and assist in filing returns
- 2. Ensure all applicable items on Form 9465 and Form 433F have been fully completed
- 3. Provide proposed monthly payment amount when completing Form 433A
- 4. Have financial information available when calling IRS



Automated Substitute for Return (ASFR) Program

ASFR establishes the tax liability by:

- 1. Securing valid income tax return from the taxpayer, or
- 2. Computing tax, penalties, and interest, based upon Information Reporting Program (IRP)

IRS sends a proposed 30-day letter package; If no response, sends 90-day statutory notice of deficiency.



ASFR Program

Practitioners should:

- 1. Inform taxpayers that refund from current year return will be held because of any un-filed returns.
- 2. Inquire about any un-filed returns and assist in filing these returns. To receive any refunds due, the taxpayer must file within three years of the original return due date.



Questionable W-4

Employers must submit to the IRS, via paper, magnetic tape or electronically, any Form W-4 in which an employee claims either:

- 1. More than 10 withholding allowances, or
- 2. Exemption from withholding and the employee's wages are over \$200 per week.



Questionable W-4 Reminders

- 1. All questionable W-4s should be submitted as soon as possible after receipt to prevent processing delays.
- 2. Exempt status cannot be claimed without proper justification. Various tax publications address the requirements. Even if previously exempt, IRS will require justification.



Automated Underreporter (AUR)

- 1. Perform reconciliation between the information reported to the IRS by taxpayers and the information reported by payers
- 2. Identify discrepancies in reporting and educate taxpayers in correct reporting requirements
- 3. CP2000 Proposal of Tax Increases
- 4. Toll-free lines enhancing customer service
- 5. Process reconsiderations of closed cases



Correspondence Examination

- 1. Pre-refund audits
- 2. Post-refund audits
- 3. Toll-free line to assist customers with EITC questions and/or problems
- 4. Innocent Spouse Claims Centralized in Cincinnati Service Center



Taxpayer Participation

- Taxpayers should participate with the request for documentation within the time frames.
- Taxpayers can respond by:
 - 1. Mail
 - 2. Fax
 - 3. Toll-free phones