Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this course participants will be able to:

- Explain the board’s, specifically the risk and/or audit committee’s, expected responsibilities and role in compliance oversight and contrast with those of your organization.
- Recognize how data analytics can be used to identify anomalies in transactions that may indicate a lack of business rationale or other concerns to enhance effective governance practices.
- Discuss how your organization may use monitoring via data analysis to better prioritize and focus risk management resources toward areas of concern in a timely manner.
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Today’s Agenda

1. Why use data analytics & visualization?
2. How to do more with less?
3. How to marry data analytics with visualization?
4. What are the challenges?
5. How is it used for continuous monitoring?
Why Use Data Analytics & Visualization?
Making the case

External Drivers

*Increases In...*

- SEC, DoJ, and global enforcement
- Government resources
- Aggressive investigation techniques
- Prosecution of individuals, executives, & “gatekeepers”
- Guilty pleas (fewer “DPAs”)
- Global government cooperation
- Penalties (in U.S. and globally)
- Gov’t leniency for strong compliance
- D/O liability cases
- Whistleblowers & incentives for them
Internal Drivers

- Data volumes are growing exponentially
- People fail to identify complex patterns and anomalous trends
- Business processes and controls don’t operate perfectly
- Toxic employees exist
- Performance pressures have not abated
- Compliance assets are being spread thinner

Benefits Associated with Analytics

Prevent → Detect → Analyze → Investigate

Proactive

Reactive
IN-HOUSE TRENDS
Responding to Industry Pressures

Professionals responsible for compliance risk measures are increasingly reporting to higher levels in the company...

Directly to the Board:
- Globally = 31%
- N. America = 30%
- Europe = 32%

Directly to CEO:
- Globally = 40%
- N. America = 34%
- Europe = 46%

Head of Legal who reports to CEO:
- Globally = 21%
- N. America = 26%
- Europe = 16%

Head of any other function who then reports to CEO:
- Globally = 8%
- N. America = 10%
- Europe = 6%

81% Companies list executives as top beneficiaries of Data Analytics; 68% list Boards

46% of Directors are more focused managing fraud risk
66% Directors are placing greater emphasis on awareness of fraud risk
88% Companies list compliance as the top concern of GCs, CEOs & BoDs.
66% Expect staffing costs to increase
65% Believe staffing constraints are the biggest obstacles to their ability to detect or mitigate risk
63% Believe data analytics is cost effective

Strong Demand to Do MORE with LESS!
Increasing governmental emphasis on assessing risk

- 88% Boards include risk into strategic discussions
- 68% Companies try to measure effectiveness of compliance
- 90% Believe data analytics enhances risk assessment
- 74% Companies use data analytics when investigating fraud or bribery

90% of the world’s data has been generated only in the past 2 years

- 79% Believe data analytics can review larger amounts of data in a shorter amount of time
- 82% Believe it can detect fraud & corruption sooner
- 89% Believe it can detect potential misconduct that it couldn’t detect before
- 26% Companies are actually using technology for monitoring fraud (and growing)
Data Analytics & Visualization

Doing More with Less

Fraud’s Trajectory

• Typically starts out small
• Increases in complexity and aggressiveness
• Often grows in magnitude, and number of participants
• Will rarely cease on its own accord
Data Analytics Overview

- Analyzes the company’s existing data
- Looks for transactions and relationships that fail to fit existing norms or company parameters (Potentially Anomalous Transactions or “PATs”)  
- The larger the data set, the more robust the results

Trying to Answer A Number of Questions

- What happened in the past?
- What is happening currently?
- What are the trends?
- What does the data tell you?
- How reliable are the indicators?
- What are the most pressing risks?
Inventory of Tools

Databases
- Excel
- Access
- SQL Server
- Oracle

Analysis
- SAS
- IDEA
- ACL

Visualization
- Excel Charts
- Tableau
- MicroStrategy

Marrying Analytics with Visualization

Detecting Fraud & Corruption
Example: Link Analysis

Example: Duplicate Vendors
Example: Payroll Trends

Payroll Trend for Assistant Chief Inspector

Example: GL Entries without Description

GL Entries without description

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Example: GL Entries without Description

Data Analytic Challenges
Data Analytics - Challenges

➢ Accessibility:
  • Are there issues with legacy systems and acquisitions?

➢ Reliability/Completeness:
  • Do non-numeric fields contain numeric data (and vice-versa)?
  • Can it be reconciled to a control point?

➢ Integrity:
  • Has data transferred from legacy systems been adversely affected, altered, corrupted or truncated?

➢ Consistency:
  • Are date formats consistent across the data sets?

Analytics Challenges - PATs

➢ There are several fundamental challenges, including:
  • Potentially anomalous transactions fail to reveal that they have no legitimate business purpose
  • Potentially anomalous transactions fail to indicate that they were consummated for less than equivalent value
  • False positives

➢ Techniques should identify transactional patterns in the form of more complex combinations
Data Analytics Case Example

Theft via “Conflicted” Purchases

Common schemes for Purchases from conflicted vendors:

[What This Means: Buying from a supplier/vendor where the employee has an undisclosed interest.]

- Employee negotiates a higher price than normal
- Bid rigging, manipulating competitive quotes
- Purchases of off-grade product disguised as a good product
- Employee approves invoices for phantom goods or services
Misappropriation of Assets

- Cash
  - Larceny
    - Theft of Cash on Hand
    - From the Deposit
    - Other
  - Skimming
    - Sales
    - Receivables
    - Unrecorded
    - Ununderstood
    - Unlogged
    - Unmatched
- Inventory and Other Assets
  - Misuse
  - Larceny
    - Asset Sale & Transfer
    - False Sales & Shipping
    - Purchasing & Receiving
    - Unrecorded Larceny

Analytical Testing - PATs

- Stratification
- Gaps/Duplicates
- Filter/Sort
- Non-Recurring
- Aging
- Join/Relate
- Relational Analysis
- Ratio Analysis
- Frequency Analysis
- Missing Data
- Trends/Regression
- Benford’s Law
Analytical Testing - PATs

- Frequency Analysis
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Vendor Payments Attribute Analysis

[Graph showing invoice date vs. payment date over time]
Vendor Payments Attribute Analysis

Invoice Date vs. Payment Date

Coordinate Analytics

Relevant Data Sets
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Relevant Data Sets

Frequency Anomalies

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Coordinate Analytics

Relevant Data Sets

Frequency Anomalies

Inconsistency in Vendor Data

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Continuous Monitoring

Data mining software coupled with advanced analytics and exception management capabilities +
Established forensic protocols and recognized investigative methods

Real-time (or near real-time) detection of:
- Inefficiencies in purchasing
- Potentially anomalous transactions
- High-risk relationships
- Compliance failures
- Circumvention of controls

What is Continuous Monitoring?
### Continuous Monitoring
- Evaluates 100% of the transactions or associated target functions
- Transactions or functions requiring further review are identified in real-time (or near real-time)
- Process is highly automated and can be repeated on as frequent a basis as required
- Automatically brings in relevant outside data
- Leads to optimal allocation of limited internal resources
- Timely correction of errors and identification of prohibited behaviors

### Traditional Approach
- Evaluates only a small percentage of transactions or targeted functions
- Transactions or functions requiring further review are identified during scheduled reviews
- Process is somewhat automated and is repeated on a rolling basis as determined by IA
- Outside data is considered only if it is specifically sought
- Internal resources are dispatched in less than optimal fashion
- Errors and prohibited behaviors are not identified on a timely basis

### Ongoing Benefits of CM Include...
- Objective basis for quantifying system-wide risk
- Uncover and eliminate high risk 3rd party relationships
- Evaluate training regimens
- Improve/augment existing IA protocols
- Assess overall compliance with the books & records provisions of the FCPA and other pertinent laws
- Monitor compliance and ongoing risk of newly acquired businesses
- Identify potential instances of non-compliance on a timely basis
- Continually evaluate efficacy of existing control environment
- Implement measures to fill gaps in the existing control environment
- Improve/augment the qualitative nature of data being captured
- Eliminate waste and inefficiencies in the supply chain
Additional Webinars

BDO Knowledge Upcoming Webinar:
• How ASU 2015-02 Changes Consolidation Accounting (May 14, 2015 - registration forthcoming on https://www.bdo.com/events)

BDO Knowledge Archived Webinars:
• What’s On the Minds of Boards - January 2015 https://www.bdo.com/events/what-is-on-the-minds-of-boards

BDO Board Reflections

Additional resources accessible via BDO Board Governance: https://www.bdo.com/services/assurance/board-governance/overview

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