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Society for Benefit-Cost Analysis

Workshop on Regulatory Impact Analysis

March 12, 2014 at the George Washington University

Regulation is one of the most important mechanisms by which the federal government sets policy, and for decades, presidents of both parties have required agencies to base new regulations on an analysis of the benefits and costs of alternatives. This workshop, offered in conjunction with the [Society for Benefit-Cost Analysis](#), will give participants a solid grounding in how benefit-cost analysis (BCA) is applied to regulation.

The half-day workshop, led by experienced [GW Regulatory Studies Center](#) experts, will begin with a brief review the history of regulatory impact analysis, the variety of executive and statutory requirements governing the use of BCA for analyzing regulatory decisions, and the procedures they require. It will then examine the analytical elements identified in Office of Management and Budget Circular A-4, which governs regulatory analysis, using illustrations of their application in practice. Since reduction in public health risk is often an important regulatory benefit, one session will focus on risk assessment, and how it is used in regulatory BCA. The workshop will conclude with an interactive session that ties the elements of regulatory BCA together. Throughout, participants will have an opportunity to engage with faculty to explore regulatory topics of interest to them.

Participation in this interactive workshop will benefit practitioners interested in understanding the nuances of regulatory analysis as well as academics interested in applying their BCA skills to regulatory policy. Both will gain a greater understanding of the procedures and protocols involved in analyzing and supporting regulatory alternatives.



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WORKSHOP AGENDA

March 12, 2014

- 1:00 Registration
- 1:30 Introduction to Regulatory Impact Analysis
- 2:15 OMB Circular A-4
- 3:30 Risk Assessment
- 4:15 Tying It Together
- 5:00 Close

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Practitioners interested in understanding regulatory analysis requirements and procedures
- Academics interested in applying BCA skills to regulatory policy

[Register Here](#)

Registration fee: \$350 including materials

For more information, e-mail:
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FACULTY

Workshop faculty are experts in the field of regulation, with experience in government, business, and academia.

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