

Thursday NASPAA Awards luncheon speaker (invited):

Daniel Werfel, MPP: Federal Financial Management Controller

Danny Werfel has been the Controller of the Office of Federal Financial Management of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) since he was confirmed by the U.S. Senate on October 13, 2009. At our luncheon, we anticipate his issuing a call to action for research and evaluation of government management, in order to advance our understanding of the changes wrought by the last few years of economic and policy change. We expect his talk to be addressed directly to directors and faculty at public affairs schools.



It's unusual for an MPP to hold the Controller's, but Danny has said that OMB is "a place for creative and reform-oriented people who want to be at the decision-making table". As Controller, he is responsible for coordinating efforts to initiate improvements in financial management in all federal agencies. Danny has prioritized increasing financial transparency and public access. He led the effort to create a data collection system and oversaw live, online training for 17,000 federal, state and local officials.

Danny had been Deputy Controller and earlier served as a policy analyst and budget examiner. He also worked briefly as a trial attorney in the Department of Justice's Civil Rights division. He was the recipient of the Presidential Rank Award for Meritorious Service in 2008.

Danny earned a master's in public policy at Duke University's Sanford School in 1997 and a concurrent JD at the University of North Carolina. He received a bachelor's from Cornell University.

Please join us at the Thursday luncheon to hear and meet Danny.