Speaker Bio

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Jo is the President and Founder of Audit. Consulting. Education. LLC., a firm specializing in progressive internal audit, risk, and ethics consulting along with providing impactful CPE courses to organizations. Jo is also a full-time, accounting faculty member at Metropolitan State University of Denver as well as the Director of Internal Audit Education for the University. As Director, Jo is actively developing and marketing an undergraduate and graduate Risk Assurance and Advisory certificate for students.

Jo pushes the envelope of traditional assurance and advising practices. She believes internal auditors should no longer be reactive and should focus on proactive, real value-add activities. Her trademarked approach to internal audit, *Total Quality Auditing*® (TQA) was published in both book and workbook format. She provides in-person and virtual TQA trainings and developed a Certified Total Quality Auditor (CTQA) designation that has been earned by internal auditors across the globe.

Personally, Jo is known for her proactive nature as well. After finding out she was positive for the breast and ovarian cancer gene mutation (BRCA1), Jo underwent multiple preventative surgeries. She believes knowledge is power and encourages others to take action in their personal lives. Jo's second book, *Your Road. Your Choices.*, begins with a look at her story and exploring how we can each choose to embrace adversity. She delivers keynote presentations on our life choices, which have been called an "epic experience."

Jo's third book, Becoming The Everyday Ethicist: Doing Things the Right Way the First Time, is based on her personal and professional life experiences as well as her ethics research and studies. Jo is passionate about ethics and all her presentations provide individuals with the keys to living an ethical life, show leaders how to display integrity and earn trust, and demonstrate the importance of ethics (and ethics monitoring by Internal Auditors) in all organizations.

Jo's motto says the most about her personal and professional outlook: "Good things come to those who wait... but don't. You deserve better than good." Every one of her books and presentations focuses on that proactive stance, and how we can immediately connect our actions to our values. She can't wait to share her motto and MORE with you and your group!



