
Carolynn Walton
Vice President and Treasurer



Carolynn Walton, CPA, is Vice President and Treasurer of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan (BCBSM). She also is the co-founder of the wholly owned subsidiary of BCBSM, Woodward Straits Insurance Company, serving as its Treasurer and Board Member. In these roles, Walton is responsible for managing the company and subsidiaries' investment portfolios, cash management, and debt management strategies. Additionally, she manages the investment options for the organizations' pension plans, 401(k) plans, deferred compensation plans, and risk management functions. The assets under management for the enterprise are approximately \$12 billion. For the last eleven years, her team's performance has exceeded the custom benchmark adding value to the organization. Equally important, Walton is a vital member of the cultural transformation of BCBSM as a co-founder and current member of the Diversity Leadership Council, and serves as a mentor to a myriad of professionals both internally and externally.

Walton has received various external recognition for her achievements including being named the Insurance Plan Chief Investment Officer of the Year by Intelligence Investor Network and Woman of Excellence Award by the Michigan Chronicle. As a sought after speaker, she has spoken at the Institutional Investor Corporate Roundtable for Insurance Plans and Employee Benefits, Wells Fargo's Sales Investment Conference, and Fidelity's Middle-Market Employee Benefit Client Conference.

Walton is a member of the Association of Financial Professionals, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the National Association of Black Accountants. She volunteers her time on the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, Board of Trustees, Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants, Diversity and Leadership Council, Michigan Women's Foundation Investment Committee, and Institutional Investors Corporate Roundtable, Advisory Board.

Walton received her MBA from Western Michigan University and Bachelor of Business Administration from the Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan.