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## Spotlight

The Tax & Accounting Technology Innovation Awards honor new technologies that help accounting firms and their small business clients operate more efficiently and profitably through improved workflow, increased accessibility, or enhanced collaboration.

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The top technologies for tax and accounting professionals were honored on Tuesday

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and profitably through improved workflow, increased accessibility, or enhanced collaboration. Award winners are selected by CPA Practice Advisor's editorial advisory board, which includes more than two dozen thought leaders in the profession.

"These awards recognize new technologies that dramatically enhance the ability of accounting professionals to provide services to their clients and run their own firms," said *CPA Practice Advisor* Editor-in-Chief Gail Perry, CPA. "As the tax and accounting profession continues to evolve, these new technologies and workflows are a key element to firm productivity, efficiency, and their ability to increase profitability." Perry also manages a tax practice and is the author of more than 30 books, including *Mint.com for Dummies*, and *Idiot's Guide to Introductory Accounting*.

*CPA Practice Advisor* provides a variety of independent digital and print resources for accounting professionals, including practice resources, technology reviews, interactive tools and content that helps firms achieve greater productivity. Learn more about the Innovation Award winners and finalists in the August issue of *CPA Practice Advisor*.

## 2019 Innovation Award Winners:

- **Biller Genie**, a full-time automated accounting assistant that helps small and mid-sized businesses work smarter and improve cash flow by standardizing and automating invoice procedures and follow-up initiatives. This reduces

administrative expenses and creates a better customer user-experience. Learn

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performing a simple search across a business financial software and payments platforms, much like typing a query into Google. Learn more:

<http://cpapracticeadvisor.com/21088356>

- **Checkpoint Edge**, from **Thomson Reuters**, which uses artificial intelligence, machine learning and cognitive computing technologies to search Checkpoint, IRS.gov, AICPA, EY and Deloitte and other sources simultaneously, and gets more intelligent with every search based on interactions from over 200,000 unique users. Learn more: <http://cpapracticeadvisor.com/21088358>

- **Jirav**, for its **Financial Planning and Analysis in the Cloud** service, which connects financial and operational data to help accounting firms and finance professionals create tailored budgets, plans and models quickly in a highly intuitive, point-and-click interface. Learn more:

<http://cpapracticeadvisor.com/21088360>

- **XCAnalytics as a Service**, which allows firms to measure real-time productivity to make business critical decisions and improve performance, by using and aggregating real-time firm data into standard benchmarks, charts, and, graphs. Learn more: <http://cpapracticeadvisor.com/21088363>

## 2019 Innovation Award Finalists:

- **Doc.It Connect**, a secure portal site that allows accounting firms and clients to share, sign, and manage financial statements, tax returns, invoices, reports, and other documents. Learn more: <http://cpapracticeadvisor.com/21088367>
- **Wolters Kluwer CCH Axxess IQ**, which empowers users with predictive intelligence to help analyze their CCH Axxess Tax data, matching potentially impacted clients with tax legislation change triggers. Learn more: <http://cpapracticeadvisor.com/21088364>
- **Node40 Balance**, a sophisticated suite of tools that achieve compliance with both AICPA recommendations and IRS guidance through specific identification of every

individual piece of cryptocurrency bought, sold, transferred or held by a business.

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## 2019 Nominees:

- [AuditFile](#)
- [Avalara AvaTax for Hotels & Motels](#)
- [Bill.com Intelligent Virtual Assistant](#)
- [Bloomberg Tax's Estate, Gift & Trust Portfolio](#)
- [Canopy Tax Prep](#)
- [Cellutionware Software Depreciation Calculator](#)
- [CPApp, LLC](#)
- [ExpensifyApproved! University](#)
- [HCVT Treehouse](#)
- [Intuit Prep for Taxes](#)
- [Intuit QuickBooks Online Advanced](#)
- [Lukka, Ink Crypto Office](#)
- [Paychex Accountant HQ](#)
- [Sage Intacct Interactive Custom Report Writer](#)
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- [Thomson Reuters Authenticator Cards](#)
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