

Career Pathways Exchange

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Resources

[CTE on the Frontier: Catalyzing Local Efforts to Improve Program Quality](#)

Advance CTE, August 2017

This brief, the first in a series on rural CTE access and quality, explores strategies states can use to improve the quality of local CTE programs to meet industry and student needs. Using examples from **Nebraska**, **South Dakota**, **Idaho**, and **Mississippi**, the brief demonstrates varied approaches that state leaders can use to empower local leaders and support program improvement in rural communities.

DON'T MISS THIS!

Future briefs in the *CTE on the Frontier* series will focus on other common challenges, including students' expanded access to work, creating partnerships to increase program offerings, and strengthening the rural CTE teacher pipeline.

[Texas and Arkansas Fact Sheets: Immigrants Can Help Meet Demand for Middle-Skill Workers](#)

National Skills Coalition, August 2017

Using Texas and Arkansas as example, two new fact sheets from the National Skills Coalition demonstrate the vital role that immigrant workers play in filling middle-skill jobs.

The fact sheets specifically highlight how immigrant workers will be vital to helping the two states meet their goals for postsecondary credential attainment and meeting local industry talent needs.

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Learn how states can ensure their talent-development pipelines are inclusive to the many immigrant populations who are poised to benefit from investment in their skills preparation.

Announcements

2018 RECS Save the Date and Call for Proposals

The [19th Research and Evaluation Conference on Self-Sufficiency \(RECS\)](#) will be held on **May 30-June 1, 2018**, in **Washington, DC**. This conference is sponsored by the Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE) in the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Call for the 2018 RECS are now open and submissions are due on Friday, September 8, 2017. OPRE invites proposals for individual presentations and for full conference sessions to be submitted. To learn more about the Call for Proposals or submit proposals, visit the [Calls for Proposal webpage](#).

Feature Project: The Employment Strategies for Low-Income Adults Evidence Review

Funded by OPRE, the Employment Strategies for Low-Income Adults Evidence Review (ESER) is a web-based systematic review of the quality of research evidence supporting approaches to improve the employment related outcomes of low-income individuals. To learn more, visit the [ESER website](#).

Events

[Association for Career and Technical Education \(ACTE\) Conference: Best Practices and Innovations Conference 2017](#)

September 27-29, 2017

Albuquerque, NM

[Register here!](#)

National Council for Workforce Education (NCWE) 2017 Conference: The Future of Workforce Education Leading, Engaging, and Transforming

October 25-26, 2017

Salt Lake City, UT

[Register here!](#)

National Career Pathways Network (NCPN) 2017 Conference

October 26-27, 2017

St. Louis, MO

[Register here!](#)

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