

February 2020

Happy February!

Career and Technical Education Month



February is Career and Technical Education Month, or CTE Month. In recent years, CTE has become a more prestigious and valued form of education because it directly prepares students for high-wage,

high-demand careers. CTE covers many different fields, including health care, information technology, advanced manufacturing, hospitality and management and many more. CTE encompasses many different types of education, from classroom learning to certification programs to work-based learning opportunities outside the classroom.

As workforce professionals, you are a critical link between the employer community that is looking for skilled workers and the individuals looking for work. WorkforceGPS has pulled together a number of [resources](#) that highlight the importance CTE, specifically licensing and credentials, and its growing importance in our nation's future education system.

Custom E-Mail Alerts Now Available!

WorkforceGPS has implemented a new way for you to stay up to date about the content you care about by allowing you to create a customized



email alert. You will now have the ability to tailor emails from across WorkforceGPS and this Community by specific filters. Check out this [video](#) which describes this new feature and how you can set it up!

100th Anniversary of the Vocational Rehabilitation Program



This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Vocational Rehabilitation Program, which was the first federally funded program to assist people with disabilities who had not acquired their disabilities as a result of serving in the military. The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) will be celebrating 100 Years of VR throughout 2020. To that end, they have launched a dedicated webpage to house anniversary content. We encourage you to view and bookmark the [VR 100 webpage](#), which will include information about this program throughout 2020.

PIRL Resources

Release 2.0 of the [PIRL-Reporting-Online-Resource](#) is now available! The Resource is designed to support grantees in successfully understanding, preparing, and submitting the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration's Participant Individual Record Layout reports (ETA-9172). This latest release includes the following new topics: setting performance targets; data quality; data validation; reporting schedules; participants and reportable individuals; participant cohorts; and common exit and co-enrollment.

Featured Content

- [The New Foundational Skills of the Digital Economy](#): Identifying the skills that will be needed in the digitally intensive economy of the future.
 - [A Changing Workforce Development Landscape](#): Examines the technological infrastructure of WIOA reporting systems in 46 states through surveys and state site visits; and provides recommendations to improve the integration of data systems for workforce practitioners and policymakers.
 - [WIOA Federal Agency Collaboration Guide](#): This at-a-glance guide provides links to some of the jointly developed policy guidance and technical assistance products. These resources are intended to assist States and local areas in successfully implementing the integrated service delivery system envisioned by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).
 - [General Apprenticeship Resources](#): A variety of apprenticeship resources have been developed by the Office of Apprenticeship (OA) to share information, resources, and promising practices with the apprenticeship and workforce community. On this page, you will find resources ranging from general tools and resources related to apprenticeship, to pages on under-represented populations, to industry-specific expansion strategies. The resources are organized by the five elements of apprenticeship expansion.
 - [RESEA Resource Pages TEN 12-19](#): ETA's Training and Employment Notice (TEN) 12-19: New Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessments (RESEA) Resource Pages announces the availability of two online resource pages devoted to supporting states' efforts in implementing and complying with the new RESEA program requirements.
 - [Sharing American Job Center Costs Using "Customer Count:" One Approach to Cost Allocation under WIOA](#): An example of programs adopting "Customer Count" as a
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method for the allocation of costs related to career services available in an American Jobs Center (AJC).

Upcoming Public Events

- February 07, 2020: [FY 2020 RESEA Grants: Funding Allotments, Operating Guidance, and State Plan Requirements](#)

Recent Public Events

- [An Overview of the Wagner-Peyser Act Staffing Flexibility Final Rule](#): February 04, 2020
- [Forming Consortia to Evaluate RESEA Programs](#): January 31, 2020
- [TAA Administrative Collection of States Overview and Questions](#): January 30, 2020
- [Trade Adjustment Assistance \(TAA\) Performance Series: Employment Rate](#): January 23, 2020
- [H-1B Scaling Apprenticeship Performance Reporting Orientation Webinar 3.0](#): January 15, 2020
- [Trade Adjustment Assistance \(TAA\) Financial Overview](#): January 09, 2020

Thank You!

Sincerely,

The WorkforceGPS Team

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