







Intersect 2021 Thought Leaders Collaboration



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Our Changing Workplace

Facts

- Half-life of skills is 5 years
- Shrinking labor market participation rate
- Rapidly evolving technology, AI, automation



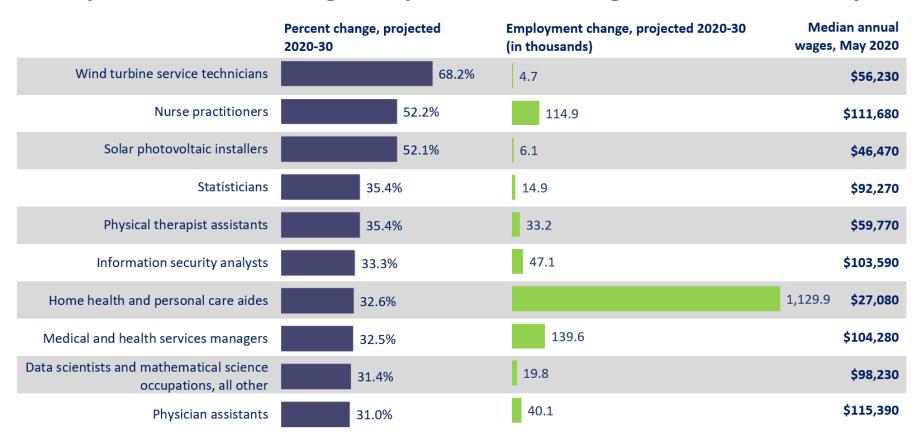
- Shift from K-12 to lifelong learning
- Career pathways, not jobs
- Employers will need to "build, not buy" talent by providing training





Skilled Workers Needed

Top 10 Fastest Growing Occupations, Excluding Pandemic Recovery*



^{*}Data excludes occupations that had a decline in wage and salary employment greater than the decline for all occupations from 2019 to 2020 (approximately 6%).



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



What is Apprenticeship?

A Proven Workforce Solution

Registered Apprenticeship is an industry-driven, high-quality career pathway enabling employers to develop new hires and upskill current workers for critical occupations.





Core Components







Spanning all Sectors







Cybersecurity



Information Technology



Biotechnology



Transportation



Construction



Financial Services



Advanced Manufacturing



Hospitality



Engineering



Energy



Telecommunications





RA Modernizing and Expanding to Provide Training and Career Pathways

Expanding Beyond Trades Into Occupations that are...

- High-Growth
- High-Demand
- High-Wage

Industries & Occupations Include:

- IT Cybersecurity Technician
- Healthcare Home Health Aid
- Renewable Energy Wind Turbine Technicians
- Hospitality Cook
- Social Services Substance Abuse Counselor





Apprenticeship & Adult Education – Challenges:

"In 2017 only
FOUR local Adult
Basic Education
programs in the
U.S. self-reported
as having a
registered
apprenticeship
program."

(Source: 2017 COABE Survey of ABE Members)

- ✓ Lack of meaningful, ongoing connection between education institutions and industry employers to inform curriculum and course development and delivery of RA Programs (RAPs);
- ☑ Poor Coordination with the workforce system to co-enroll WIOA-eligible students in RAPs for leveraged funding and supportive services;
- ☑ Overall low levels of awareness of RAP integration methods with non-credit and for-credit high school, college, and adult education programs.





Educator Engagement

- Can provide employers with pool of candidates for apprentice and preapprentice positions
- Can provide employers with relevant workforce training (soft skills and technical skills) that
- Provides adult learners with entry into career pathway that combines related instruction (education) with paid, hands-on training for in-demand occupations with no debt
- Supported by workforce system
 - Training costs can be funded through WIOA Individual Training
 Accounts (ITAs) when program is on state Eligible Training Provider List
 - WIOA-eligible apprentices can access a range of supportive services (I.e. transportation and childcare assistance, books, uniforms, tools, etc.)
 - Veterans can access their GI Bill benefits, including military housing allowance



USDOL RA Center of Excellence



Building sustainable partnerships to support system alignment of the national workforce and education systems to accelerate Registered Apprenticeship (RA) adoption.

Our work will focus on three primary tasks:

- Providing TA on a National Scope
- Engaging Key Stakeholders
- Coordinating with Federal and State Investments





The Center's Partners & Approach

- Identify and scale effective practices through a bottom-up, peer-to-peer, approach
- Begin in 5 targeted states, expanding to a minimum of 5 more
- Disseminate resources and shared assistance nationwide















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