

U.S. DOL Registered Apprenticeship Technical Assistance Center of Excellence Strategic Partnerships and Systems Alignment



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Apprenticeship Connection Summit

Who We Are

DOL-funded Center led by Safal Partners with five national partners. Our work is focused on developing national digital TA, services and products geared to:

- Accelerating RA strategic partnerships
- Increasing alignment between apprenticeship and workforce and education systems
- Increasing use of RA program model in WIOA
- Boosting WIOA funded support for RA through co-enrollment
- Increasing workforce system participation in RA programs
- Doubling current statewide WIOA participation in RA programs



System Alignment & Partnerships



Technical Assistance Products

Workforce System Alignment

- National “Workforce System RA Baseline Knowledge Report”
- Recent Webinars:
 - Becoming a Workforce Development Board RA Sponsor
 - Rural America’s RA Promising Practices
 - Technical Tips for Becoming a RA Sponsor
 - Putting Your WIOA Plan for Apprenticeship to Work
- Three Part Series: Demonstrated State Apprenticeship Leadership in 2020 Unified/Combined Plans



Strategic Partnerships

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- “Guide to Identifying Pre-Apprenticeship and RA Partners”
- “Questionnaire for Partnership Development”
- “Developing and Expanding an RA Program” Questionnaire



Baseline Report & Knowledge Gaps

Gaps Fell Into Four Areas:



Basic Knowledge



System Knowledge



Funding Knowledge



Sharing Knowledge



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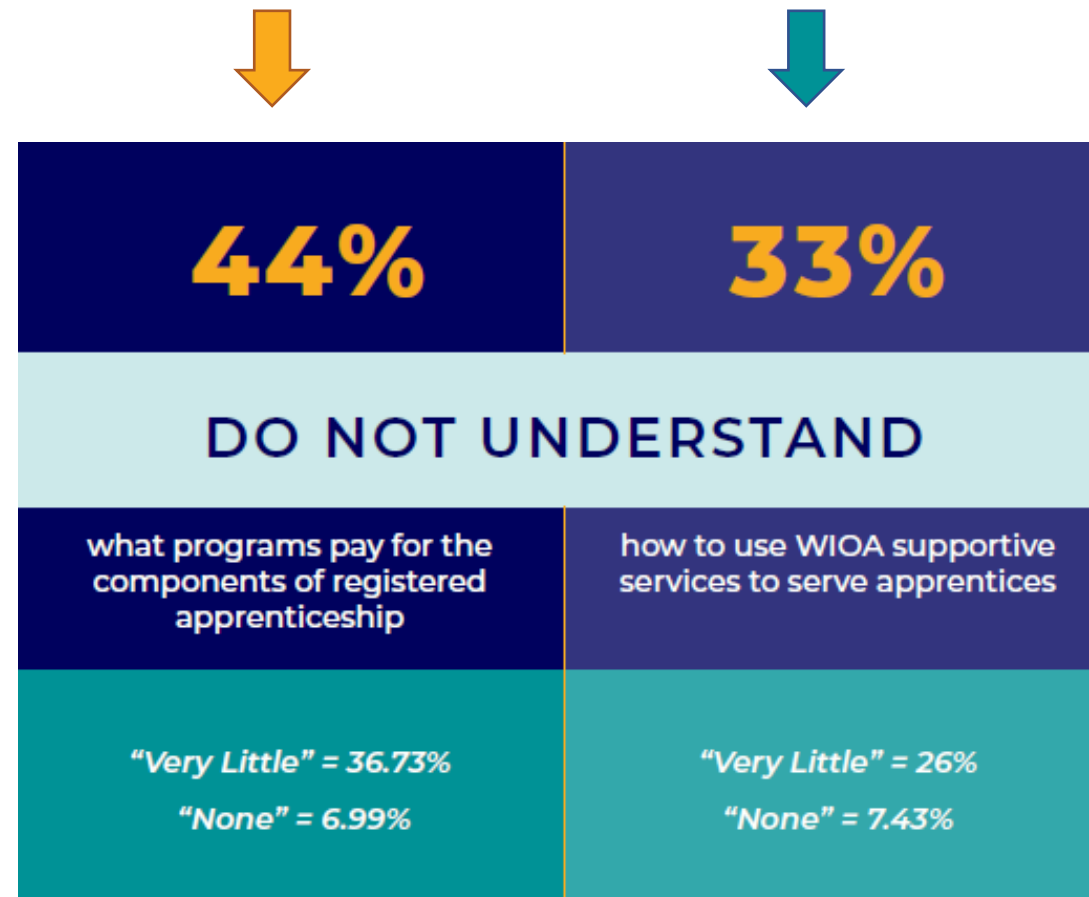
Basic RA Knowledge Gaps

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45%	41%	40%	38%	35%
DO NOT UNDERSTAND				
the responsibilities of an Apprenticeship program sponsor	the supervision requirements for apprentices in registered apprenticeship programs	what registered apprenticeship programs exist in their local area	related instruction (RI) requirements of Apprenticeship programming	the difference between registered apprenticeship and other work and learn models
"Very Little" = 36.21% "None" = 8.82%	"Very Little" = 31.13% "None" = 10.15%	"Very Little" = 33.02% "None" = 7.4%	"Very Little" = 30.81% "None" = 7.66%	"Very Little" = 28.07% "None" = 7.28%

RA System Knowledge Gaps

51%	46%	46%	43%
DO NOT UNDERSTAND			
the role of USDOL OA or an SAA	how registered apprenticeship correlates with key WIOA performance measures	the relationship between their state or local Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL) and the related instruction (RI) component of registered apprenticeship	how their state or territory's Unified or Combined WIOA plan or local workforce board WIOA plan relates to Apprenticeship
"Very Little" = 38.88%	"Very Little" = 35.87%	"Very Little" = 34.48%	"Very Little" = 34.01%
"None" = 12.38%	"None" = 10.09%	"None" = 11.21%	"None" = 9.41%

Funding Knowledge Gaps



Sharing Knowledge Gaps

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47%	42%	30%
DO NOT UNDERSTAND HOW TO		
convene partners locally	communicate benefits of registered apprenticeship to employers	communicate the benefits of registered apprenticeship to job seekers
"Very Little" = 37.46% "None" = 9.18%	"Very Little" = 31% "None" = 11.09%	"Very Little" = 24.22% "None" = 6.08%

TA, Training Delivery

- Online
 - COE Website
 - Quarterly Virtual Office Hours
 - Monthly Webinars
 - TA Requests
 - Bi-monthly eNewsletters
- In-Person/Hybrid/Virtual
 - Training on key topics
 - Conference presentations
- Products
 - Toolkits, Frameworks, Reports, Tip Sheets, Templates



WELCOME TO THE CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

Registered apprenticeship is the proven gold standard in workforce development. Better aligning industry, workforce and education around apprenticeship can help build a stronger, more resilient, and future-ready American workforce.

The Registered Apprenticeship Technical Assistance Center of Excellence is focused on helping key stakeholders across these three systems build and scale strategic partnerships to put more American workers on high-quality apprenticeship career pathways.

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Leveraging the Center

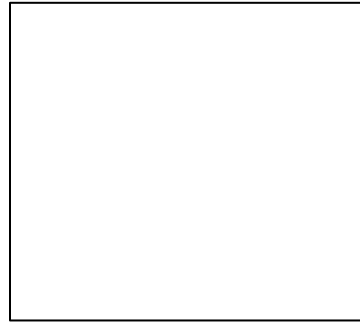
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- Utilizing our downloadable/viewable resources on our website
- Signing up to become a Center partner – receive bimonthly newsletter, event invitations, opportunity to receive national recognition for best practices
- Requesting that we present or provide TA to your organization

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