
NTAR Leadership Center

State Peer Leaders Network
Cooperative Inquiry System
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SECTOR STRATEGIES RESPONSES

Alaska

Has your agency or organization been, or is it currently involved in, delivering, managing and/or funding a sectoral employment development initiative (i.e., an employment initiative that targets a specific industry or cluster of occupations)?

Yes

If yes, please indicate which industry or industries are targeted (please indicate all that apply):

- Human Services (various agencies)

If yes, please indicate which population(s) of workers are targeted (please indicate all that apply):

- Youth
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients
- Individuals with disabilities (adult and/or youth)
- Incumbent workers
- Low-income jobseekers
- Dislocated workers

If yes, what strategies have or do you use to engage businesses in these sector initiative (please indicate all that apply):

- Formation of industry advisory groups
- Outreach and recruitment of potential workers
- Education and/or training of new or existing employees
- Technical assistance to businesses
- Industry or labor market research and/or dissemination about careers and skills needs in the industry area
- Educating and/or convening industry (business) representatives

Your agency or organization and state:

Governor's Council on Disabilities & Special Education – Alaska

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California

Has your agency or organization been, or is it currently involved in, delivering, managing and/or funding a sectoral employment development initiative (i.e., an employment initiative that targets a specific industry or cluster of occupations)?

No

Your agency or organization and state:

The California Health Incentives Improvement Project works in close collaboration with the California Governor's Committee for Employment of People with Disabilities and the California Employment Development Department (EDD). EDD periodically develops sector initiatives, such as the Caregivers Training Initiative, the Nurses Training Initiative and sector initiatives targeting BioTech.

Minnesota

Has your agency or organization been, or is it currently involved in, delivering, managing and/or funding a sectoral employment development initiative (i.e., an employment initiative that targets a specific industry or cluster of occupations)?

Yes

If yes, please indicate which industry or industries are targeted (please indicate all that apply):

- Healthcare
- Manufacturing
- Information Technology
- Banking, Finance or Insurance
- Renewable Energy, Utilities, Transportation, Forestry, Biosciences

If yes, please indicate which population(s) of workers are targeted (please indicate all that apply):

- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients
- Individuals with disabilities (adult and/or youth)
- Incumbent workers
- Low-income jobseekers

- Dislocated workers

If yes, what strategies have or do you use to engage businesses in these sector initiative (please indicate all that apply):

- Formation of industry advisory groups
- Outreach and recruitment of potential workers
- Education and/or training of new or existing employees
- Technical assistance to businesses
- Industry or labor market research and/or dissemination about careers and skills needs in the industry area
- Provision of supportive services (such as childcare, transportation, job coaching, or workplace accommodations)
- Educating and/or convening industry (business) representatives
- Assistance with retention and/or career advancement of employees

Your agency or organization and state:

Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

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Oregon

Has your agency or organization been, or is it currently involved in, delivering, managing and/or funding a sectoral employment development initiative (i.e., an employment initiative that targets a specific industry or cluster of occupations)?

Yes

If yes, please indicate which industry or industries are targeted (please indicate all that apply):

- Healthcare

If yes, please indicate which population(s) of workers are targeted (please indicate all that apply):

- Individuals with disabilities (adult and/or youth)

If yes, what strategies have or do you use to engage businesses in these sector initiative (please indicate all that apply):

- Formation of industry advisory groups
- Outreach and recruitment of potential workers

- Technical assistance to businesses
- Educating and/or convening industry (business) representatives

Your agency or organization and state:

Oregon Department of Human Services-Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

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Pennsylvania

Has your agency or organization been, or is it currently involved in, delivering, managing and/or funding a sectoral employment development initiative (i.e., an employment initiative that targets a specific industry or cluster of occupations)?

Yes

If yes, please indicate which industry or industries are targeted (please indicate all that apply):

- Information Technology

If yes, please indicate which population(s) of workers are targeted (please indicate all that apply):

- Individuals with disabilities (adult and/or youth)

If yes, what strategies have or do you use to engage businesses in these sector initiative (please indicate all that apply):

- Outreach and recruitment of potential workers
- Technical assistance to businesses
- Industry or labor market research and/or dissemination about careers and skills needs in the industry area
- Educating and/or convening industry (business) representatives

Your agency or organization and state:

Department of Public Welfare, Bureau of Policy, Division of Health Services, PA

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