

# Workforce Development

## SYSTEMS



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**noun** [wurk-fohrs, dih-vel-uhp-muhnt]

- <sup>1</sup> An aligned system within a state charged with developing and administering workforce development activities.
- <sup>2</sup> Encompasses, but is not limited to, governing bodies, funding entities/mechanisms and interagency coordination.

### ALIGNMENT







STATE P GENCIES



POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION



SECONDARY EDUCATION

WHO ARE THE KEY ACTORS?



**GOVERNOR'S OFFICE** 

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR** 

POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

**SECONDARY EDUCATION** 

**EMPLOYERS** 

**CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE** 

**WORKFORCE BOARDS AND COUNCILS** 

WHICH ENTITIES FUND AND GOVERN SYSTEMS?



FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

STATE GOVERNMENT

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARDS

**GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS** 

PRIVATE GRANTS

POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

STATE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION

WHAT MOTIVATES

**STATES TO ACT?** 



PERKINS ACT/WIOA

TRAINING AND SKILLS ALIGNMENT

STATE WORKFORCE NEEDS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**GOVERNOR INITIATIVES** 

TALENT RETENTION

LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY

#### STATE EXAMPLES



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Clear definition of its workforce development system.



**Board** convenes private and public stakeholders.



Administers several federally funded workforce programs.



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Commission oversees workforce development services.



Governor's initiative links education and industry, and produced a report.



Four-component educational attainment goal, including increasing marketable skills.

#### **POLICY ACTION**



In 2019, **Arkansas** enacted **S.B. 522**, requiring the Office of Skills Development, in conjunction with the workforce board and education departments and boards, to bring together key stakeholders to develop a strategic plan and road map for meeting workforce demands.



In 2018, **Vermont** enacted H. 919, directing the Workforce Development Board to collaborate with state agencies to align, coordinate and engage workforce stakeholders. The board since released an implementation plan.

#### RESOURCES



LEVERAGING COMMUNITY COLLEGES IN THE WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT: A BLUEPRINT FOR STATE POLICYMAKERS

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

**WORK-BASED LEARNING BLOG SERIES** 

PERKINS V BLOG SERIES

WORK-BASED LEARNING: MODEL POLICY COMPONENTS

PRIORITY AREAS IN 2018 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT LEGISLATION