January 2024
Workforce & Economic Development Division
Program Updates

❖ **Chancellor's Office Updates**

▪ **Student Housing Virtual Forum**

> ➤ **Date: Thursday, January 25 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
> [Register for the What We've Learned: Design, Construction and Operation from Those Who Have Pioneered event](#).
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> The first virtual event of a year-long professional development series hosted by the Chancellor's Office Student Housing Unit, **What We've Learned: Design, Construction and Operation from Those Who Have Pioneered**, will feature a panel of student housing professionals from across the system. Participants will hear directly from these system leaders who have traversed the student housing landscape at their own colleges, providing expert and lived experiences. Panelists will engage in lively discourse and answer questions as time allows.

▪ **Upcoming Conferences/Webinars/Events**

> ➤ **Register Now: ID Proofing Webinar**
> **Date: Thursday, January 18, 2024 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.**
> **[Register for the ID Proofing webinar](#)**.

> ➤ **Registration Open for 13th Annual CalWORKs Conference**
> Conference dates: April 17 - 19, San Diego
> **[Register for the 2024 CalWORKs Conference](#)**

> ➤ **Generative Artificial Intelligence Webinar Series**
> Tuesday, Feb. 27: Generative AI as a General Productivity Booster
> Tuesday, April 30: AI-Enhanced Analytics and Learning Platforms

All webinars are scheduled from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
Register for the Generative Artificial Intelligence webinar series.

➢ **Pathways to Equity | Equity in Action: Advancing Inclusion, Inspiring Change**
Conference date: April 8-9, Anaheim
Call for Proposals deadline: Monday, January 15
Find the proposal application and/or submit a presentation proposal for the Pathways to Equity Conference.

➢ **Registration Open for 2024 LGBTQ+ Summit**
Summit dates: Wednesday and Thursday, April 24-25 (virtual summit)
Register to secure your spot today

❖ **CAEP Deep Dive Research**

The Chancellor's Office has contracted with a team of national and international experts on adult education and noncredit programming. This team did an extensive quantitative review of outcomes data from the 71 adult education regional consortia and selected seven consortia with strong outcomes and this team is now involved in an on-site qualitative review of program features at those consortia to uncover promising best practices that we can lift up statewide for other adult education practitioners to emulate.

The National Briefing is scheduled for February 26, 2024, at 10:00 –11:00 am in which the report will be showcased with the United States Department of Education and other states. Registration details will be available this week.

❖ **California Adult Education Program (CAEP)**

▪ **$130 M Healthcare Pathways Funding**

➢ Round One (FY23-24) Grantees have been finalized.
➢ CO will be releasing memo released January 11, 2024.

❖ **California Apprenticeship Initiative (CAI)**

▪ **Request for Applications (RFA)**

➢ RFA for up to $40M in CAI grants is posted.
➢ The due date is January 15, 2024, at 5:00 PM.

- The Bidders' Conference was on November 8, 2023, and the recording is posted on **Apprenticeship website**.
- **FAQ document** is posted on the website
- Fiscal Report for second Quarter is due on January 25th.

❖ **Related and Supplemental Instruction Hourly Reimbursement (RSI)**

▪ **ReCal Report**

- Was due in NOVA on **Nov 1**.
- RSI Reporters received a confirmation of hours reported email in late November to ensure hours were reported accurately.
- FY 22-23 RSI Outcomes will be reported in January or early February via WEDD Memo.
  - Outcomes will include the number of hours of instruction and apprentices served by the district and apprenticeship program.
  - Outcomes will also include the number of RSI hours reported under FTES by district and apprenticeship program.

❖ **Apprenticeship Pathway Demonstration Project (APDP)**

▪ **Round 1**

- Round 1 is approved by BOG
- NOVA work plans will be available soon.
  - Nova training webinar schedule TBD.
- Agreements will be routed for signature ASAP.
- Start January 2024.

▪ **Round 2**

- Applications are due in NOVA by February 1, 2024. Applications will be evaluated, and awards will be made on a flow basis as applications are received between December 15, 2023, and February 1, 2024. Applications will no longer be reviewed, and awards will cease being made once all available funds are dedicated.
- Agreements to be routed for signature on a flow basis.
- Start February 2024.

❖ **Economic and Workforce Development (EWD)**

▪ **Regional Centers of Excellence**

EWD staff are currently working on the Collaborative for Regional Effectiveness, Action, Transformation, and Equity (Regional Centers of Excellence) grant agreements and scopes of work. Staff anticipate forwarding facesheets and instructions to districts for signature within the next 2-4 weeks.

❖ **High Road Construction Careers (HRCC) Partnerships Grants**

▪ **Round 2 Letter of Intent Funding Opportunity**

➢ The Round 2 Letter of Intent was released on 11/27/23; applications are due on 3/1/24 at 11:59pm.
➢ $5.2M of the $9.5M for HRCC remains and is available for the Round 2 Funding Opportunity.
➢ Office hours will be held February 12-16, 2024, every day from 9-10 am and 4-5pm.

Reference: Round 2 Letter of Intent Funding Opportunity – High Road Construction Careers Partnerships Grants Memorandum

❖ **K12 Strong Workforce Program (SWP)**

▪ **Round 6 K12 SWP**

The K12 SWP Program completed their Request for Applications for Round 6 and the regions have released their preliminary intent to award notifications to awarded applicants. See table below for the funding distribution per region.

Regional Consortium	K12 SWP Allocation
Bay Area	$28,380,398
Central Valley/Mother Lode	$20,632,608
Inland Empire/Desert	$18,600,959
Los Angeles	$26,849,623
Orange County	$12,014,345
North/Far North	$19,673,567
San Diego/Imperial	$13,811,110
South Central Coast	$10,037,389
TOTAL	**$150,000,000**

- **New Operation for 2024 available in NOVA**
  Redistribution of funds when a Regions full allocation is not awarded during first review.

  After the initial round of award distribution, if a region has not fully awarded their allocation (allocated pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 88827), each consortium may administer a competitive grant application program via the NOVA system to distribute any remaining funding, termed "Round 6B" to eligible grant recipients.

  Per the K12 SWP Request for Applications specification, decisions governing or relating to the distribution of fiscal resources for the K–12 component shall be made exclusively by the K–12 Selection Committee in the region, including selection of grant recipients and specific funding amounts for each grant.

- **Close out for Year 4 PC/TAP grants**
  Instructions for closing out the Year 4 PC/TAP grant expenditure and final reporting were sent out to the region on November 29, 2023. The grants ended September 30, 2023. The final report of expenditures and final survey questions were due in NOVA by **December 31, 2023**. However, additional time may be requested by email to Katie Gilks to extend the certifications and approvals by **January 31, 2024**. <u>For clarification, grantees may not charge any expenses beyond the end of the performance period/end date -September 30, 2023.</u>

❖ **Nursing and Allied Health**

- **Nursing Enrollment and Retention Grant**

  - Quarter 6 report (if applicable) for FY22-23 is due in NOVA on **January 31, 2024**.
  - The Quarter 2 report for FY23-24 is due in NOVA on **January 31, 2024**. The report is now available in NOVA. For more information, please refer to the Letter of Intent on pg. 9 for reporting deadlines.

- **Allied Health**

  - The Biannual Reporting for Fall/Winter data for FY23-24 (for SB1348) will be due on **January 30, 2024**.
    To access this report, Project Leads will need to assign their teams using this link:

https://nova.cccco.edu/sign-up/66cd13e1-a01f-438f-b25e-5bf121470b3b

For more information on this reporting requirement, please refer to this memo.

❖ **Perkins V Updates**

- **Perkins IC**

  - Quarter 2 NOVA Fiscal Reporting is Due **Wednesday, January 17, 2024**.
  - Should you require additional support for past due reporting, please be sure to reach to contact your regional monitor with any questions. Past due submissions can have negative impacts on local activities implementation and further student outcomes.

❖ **Strong Workforce Program Updates**

- **SWP 2.0 (2021-22) Allocation**

  - Expires **December 31, 2023**.
  - All funds are required to be fully expended by 12/31/2023. Reporting for expenditure period July – December 2023 is due on **February 15, 2024**.

- **SWP 2.0 (2023-2024) Allocation**

  - All 2023-2024 SWP plans should be entered in NOVA and funds fully allocated.

- **New 4-Year Regional SWP Plans**

  - Due by **January 31, 2024**
  - **Plans will be uploaded to NOVA**

- **Holdback of Funds**

  - For districts and colleges who did not enter plans in the NOVA system to fully expend prior Round 1-5 allocations, distribution of the district's full FY 2023-24 allocation will be delayed until this process is completed. Districts impacted by hold back of FY 2023-24 funds

were contacted directly by Chancellor's Office Strong Workforce Program Dean, LaCandice Ochoa.

- Districts affected by hold back funds have been directed to submit new plans allocating expired funds by October 31st, 2023. Monitors will have until November 30th to approve plans. If expired funds are allocated by the deadline, full 2023-2024 allocation will be restored in P1 (February 2024).
- Expired funds guidance: • The Chancellor's Office will allow districts to expend expired funding for a period of up to 12 months as approved by the Regional Monitor within the NOVA system. Semi-Annual reporting will be required after Monitor approval.

  ➢ **Rounds 1-4 SWP 1.0 (Allocation years 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20) (Expired Funds)**
    - Create SWP 1.0 Plan in NOVA to expend funds.
  ➢ **Round 5 SWP 2.0 (2020-21) (Expired Funds)**
    - Create SWP 1.0 Plan to expend expired funds.

- **SWP Reporting Reminders**

  ➢ All SWP reporting deadlines can be found on the program's webpage under the 'Planning and Reporting Dates' section: **https://www.cccco.edu/About-Us/Chancellors-Office/Divisions/Workforce-and-Economic-Development/Strong-Workforce-Program**.