

NORTH CENTRAL COUNTIES CONSORTIUM

APPRENTICESHIP COORDINATION

I. Purpose

To establish a North Central Counties Consortium (NCCC) policy to insure that programs funded by the Workforce Investment Act within NCCC are in compliance with California Assembly Bill 554.

II. Background

SB 554 requires Local Workforce Investment Boards to ensure that programs and services funded by the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 are conducted in coordination with one or more apprenticeship programs approved by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards for the occupation and geographic area. The bill requires each Local Board to develop a policy of fostering collaboration between community colleges and approved apprenticeship programs in the geographic area to provide preapprenticeship training, apprenticeship training, and continuing education in apprenticeable occupations through the approved apprenticeship programs.

III. Reference

- DOL Training and Employment Notice 44-11 and 13-12
- California Senate Bill No: AB 554
- EDD Workforce Services Information Notice WSIN 12-19

IV. Policy

NCCC's Workforce Investment Act One Stop operators and service providers are encouraged to develop and enhance partnerships and resource leveraging efforts with registered apprenticeship programs where feasible to improve job placement, increase "earn and learn" options and to promote career ladders and pathways for job seekers.

NCCC's Workforce Investment Board and Governing Board shall increase preapprenticeship training opportunities in NCCC through developing relationships and collaboration with Joint Apprenticeship Training Councils and Community Colleges that offer preapprenticeship training to increase preapprenticeship training programs in NCCC where feasible.