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cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director
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Subject: **Enough is Known for Action: Credentials that Count for Youth – Webinar through Workforce3One**

Purpose: To notify Local Workforce Investment Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other local workforce investment partners of a U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), Employment & Training Administration (ETA) sponsored webinar available through Workforce3One – Enough is Known for Action: Credentials that Count for Youth. The webinar will be held on April 29th at 2:00pm -3:30pm ET.

Background: This session is the third webinar in a series of webinars for the youth community, hosted by the Chicago and San Francisco Employment and Training Administration (ETA) offices but open to all, to inspire strategic planning and action now in anticipation of the July 1, 2015 implementation date of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).

Helping youth attain credentials is a critical goal of WIOA. This webinar will provide information, resources, and local examples that will inform program service delivery strategies for helping youth earn high school diplomas or equivalencies, and industry-recognized and postsecondary credentials that have value in the labor market. ETA staff will highlight resources that can assist providers as they work with youth to better understand the opportunities that are out there and the education, training and credentials needed to get there. Local practitioners from Arizona, California, Iowa, and Oregon will share their program models and the valuable credentials that support their program's success.

The webinar will focus on four key steps to success:

- Finding high demand occupations using labor market information (LMI)
- Finding promising occupations for youth served by the workforce system
- Determining occupations with pathways to career advancement
- Discovering credentials needed for identified promising occupations

Registration for the Enough is Known for Action: Credentials that Count for Youth webinar is limited and seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Please register for the webinar at:

<https://www.workforce3one.org/view/5001501353923046151/info>