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REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Register Now! The National Association of State Workforce Agencies and the Alabama Department of Labor are hosting the Workforce Summit & UI Directors' Conference | 82nd Annual Meeting in Birmingham, Alabama, September 16-21, 2018.

This year’s conference format will be super-charged as we integrate workforce development and UI topics for the first time! The UI Directors’ Conference and IT & Legal Issues Forum will be combined with the Annual Meeting, bringing a more robust, diversified and well-rounded conversation to the conference. NASWA committee meetings and the Board of Directors meeting will take place prior to the conference, September 17th, 18th and a half-day on the 19th. The Workforce Innovation Awards Dinner will be held at the Barber Motorsports complex.
2018 Legislative Priorities

NASWA’s legislative priorities advance states’ efforts to ensure our nation’s workforce system meets employers’ needs for a qualified workforce and promote high-quality employment and careers for workers. The agenda is comprised of five main categories with 10 specific points for congressional action.

Legislative Priorities

Did you know?

Birmingham's nickname the "Magic City" refers to a period of great growth in 1870's and 1880's, when the city seemed to grow so quickly, it appeared to have happened "like magic" over night.

REGISTER NOW!

The 5th Annual Veterans Conference takes place in Washington, D.C. July 18-20, 2018

Amazing keynote speakers, informative workshops, a panel featuring some of the country’s largest employers, and more will highlight the Fifth Annual NASWA Veterans Conference, July 18-20, at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in Washington DC.

Featured speakers will include Green Beret Commander Mark Nutsch, whose story is the subject of the new feature film, "12 Strong"; and Major MJ Hegar, decorated helicopter pilot and author of "Shoot Like a Girl."

There will also be sessions by Dan Savage on LinkedIn products, Jeff Farley on Microsoft's no-cost accessibility technology, and Amazon's Ralph Hernandez. An employer panel will feature representatives from Prudential, Navy Federal Credit Union, Comcast NBCUniversal, Aetna, Amazon, Rockwell Collins and Bechtel Global Corporation.

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WIOA SUCCESS STORIES

Does your state have a WIOA success story? Submit to naswa@naswa.org
**Connecticut**

**An Employer's Guide to Unemployment**
The Connecticut Department of Labor's Office of Workforce Competitiveness sponsored a breakfast seminar designed to help businesses and organizations handle unemployment benefit procedures more effectively. Speaker David Ricciuti of the CTDOL's Office of Program Policy provided a comprehensive overview of unemployment insurance basics, the eligibility process, and included... [Read More]

**Heroes 4 Hire Career Fair**
More than 100 companies and service organizations and 1,000 jobseekers participated in the Heroes 4 Hire Career Fair - the largest of its kind in New England. The event took place at the Pratt and Whitney Stadium Ballroom at Rentschler Field in East Hartford, CT on April 4. This veterans-focused event was sponsored by the Connecticut Department of Labor, Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs, Entercom Radio, Pratt & Whitney, and Travelers. The 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. event offered many recruitment opportunities, as well as information on job training, apprenticeship, and educational options. 

"We always receive a large amount of interest from companies when it comes to taking part in our annual Heroes 4 Hire Career Fair," explains Dan Laffin of the Connecticut Department of Labor's Office for Veterans' Workforce Development and project chairperson. "Employers know that veterans offer many sought-after skills, including leadership, decision making, and transferable military skills."

The CTDOL career fair website, [ctjobfairs.com](http://ctjobfairs.com), included a list of employers, interview tips, and driving directions.

**Maryland**

**Open House for Youth Apprenticeship Program**
HAGERSTOWN, Md. - On Thursday, Washington County Public Schools held an open house for their Youth Apprenticeship Program.

The Youth Apprenticeship Program has been in Washington County for two years and gives students hands on experience in the workforce. Kelly Schulz, with the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, spoke on the success of the program and how it has benefited both students and business owners.

"We knew what the benefits for the students would be, to be able to advance their skills, their on the job training in occupations and industries that they may have not known existed at time, but what we did not know is the increase in the amount of productivity the businesses would get from that," said Schulz.

Schulz says the program, which is currently in Frederick and Washington counties, will soon be all throughout the state of Maryland.

**Nebraska**
Take our Daughters and Sons to Work Day

Nebraska Department of Labor hosted 51 students for the 2018 Nebraska Department of Labor Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day. The students participated in a number of activities including Unemployment Insurance, resume preparation, teamwork, drone ground and flight school, planting trees, recycling and craft. In addition, they visited the Thomas P. Kennard Historical site where they learned about Nebraska statehood history.

Watch videos of the event: Part 1 | Red Carpet | Activities

SOUTH DAKOTA

‘Dirty Jobs’ host jumps into South Dakota technical education

Mike Rowe, the creator and host of Discovery Channel’s series “Dirty Jobs,” will dive into technical education and workforce development in South Dakota this fall. Rowe will be a key component in the inaugural “A New Day in Tech Ed” event on Sept. 20, the Build Dakota Scholarship Board of Directors announced Thursday. The event was created to... Read More

Watch Video: Mike Rowe to speak in South Dakota on importance of skilled labor

What’s Happening Nationally

NASWA National Labor Exchange Director, Charlie Terrell represented the United States at the World Association of Public Employment Services (WAPES) Congress. Charlie’s takeaway from the conference: The public employment system serves a vital purpose in serving jobseekers and employers worldwide!

NASWA in Action

LEGISLATIVE TRACKER - A NASWA MEMBER EXCLUSIVE

The NASWA Legislative Tracker provides information on the life cycle of state and federal bills related to Workforce Development, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), Apprenticeships, Unemployment Insurance, and Veteran Services.

NASWA members can search and filter for bills by legislature, issue area, or status in any order. The Tracker is powered by FiscalNote and tracks issue areas based on key terms supplied by NASWA. NASWA is working to add other issue areas to the Tracker. Please send suggestions or feedback to naswa@naswa.org.

Members will receive a separate communication with information to access the Tracker. Stay tuned!
INTEGRITY KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE

The Integrity Knowledge Exchange provides UI subject matter experts and searchable online resources to support state integrity improvement efforts. Learn more and contact your State Liaison:

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SUTA DUMPING WEBINARS

Register now for both!

NASWA’s Unemployment Insurance Information Technology Support Center (UI ITSC) and the U.S. Department of Labor, UI Tax Division, will host a SUTA Dumping webinar June 7, 2018, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. ET.

AGENDA

- Welcome and Roll Call
- USDOL Update on SUTA Dumping guidance
- SUTA Dumping Detection Walk Through with the State of Colorado
- Overview of ITSC’s SUTA Dumping Detection System (SDDS) - Helpful Features and Tips for using NASWA’s UI ITSC application
- Questions and Wrap Up

June 7 Webinar Registration

STATE ROUNDTABLE ON SUTA DUMPING

Join us June 14, 2018 from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. ET for a “State Roundtable” webinar focusing on SUTA Dumping Detection state practices.

June 14 Webinar Registration

For more information or if you have questions regarding these webinars, please contact John Quichocho at (202) 650-5165 or jquichocho@naswa.org
SIDES WEBINAR

Join the NASWA SIDES Team for our first state webinar. Join us on 6/6 at 1 p.m. EDT to learn more about:

- State and national marketing strategies
- Self-assessment interactive toolkit
- Enhancement request system

Register Now!

SIDES TOOLKIT

Have you taken advantage of the SIDES Interactive Toolkit yet? Complete your state self-assessment of your SIDES processes and preview successful practices from other state agencies.

Workforce Classifieds

Have you seen the jobs available on our Workforce Jobs page?

View the most recent job listings or email webmaster@naswa.org to submit a workforce development-related job.

Please send relevant content for the newsletter to the NASWA Director of External Affairs, Michelle Marshel.

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