Driving the national workforce agenda and providing value-added member services

**Upcoming Meetings**

- **December 4**
  - Board of Directors Meeting
  - San Diego, CA

- **December 4-5**
  - UI Interstate Benefits Subcommittee Meeting
  - San Diego, CA

- **December 5**
  - UI Integrity Center Steering Committee Meeting
  - San Diego, CA

- **December 6-7**
  - Unemployment Insurance Committee Meeting
  - San Diego, CA

- **December 6-7**
  - Veterans Affairs Committee Meeting
  - San Diego, CA

**The Bulletin Board**

**WINTER WORKFORCE INNOVATION AWARDS**

NASWA Members: nominations are now being accepted for the 2019 Winter Workforce Innovation Awards! States may apply for each award only once and a state administrator must approve each nomination. The awards will be presented during the **2019 Winter Policy Forum**, March 5th - 6th in Washington, DC.

Visit the awards page for more information and to submit nominations.

**NASWA AFFILIATES**

**STATE PROMISING PRACTICES PORTAL**

Powered by Workforce Innovation Awards Nominations

NASWA Members: login to naswa.org and take a look at the new State Promising Practices Portal! These practices are collected from the Workforce Innovation Awards nominations where states have nominated a program, project, or initiative which addresses a challenge they face that resulted in significant performance or service.
improvement. Visit the portal

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

National Apprenticeship Week was a success! Check out how states contributed around the nation.

Conference Corner

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Register now for the 2019 Winter Policy Forum! The Winter Policy Forum is a gathering for NASWA state workforce members to discuss current and developing trends in the workforce system and how they will be affected by changes occurring in the national landscape. The meeting focuses on collaborating with representatives from the Administration, Congress, U.S. Dept. of Labor, Intergovernmental (IGO) partner organizations, WIOA partner groups, and other D.C. policy-making groups.

SAVE THE DATE!

2019 SIDES Seminar & NASWA Committee Meetings
SIDES Seminar: April 2-4
NASWA Committee Meetings: April 1-3

The State Information Data Exchange System (SIDES) Seminar is a gathering for state workforce members, employers and third party administrators (TPAs) to discuss current and developing trends in the unemployment program and how SIDES can be used to enhance integrity measures, streamline claims processing and reduce agency costs.

View full schedule and fees

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2019 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Winter Policy Forum
Veterans Conference
Workforce Summit & UI Directors' Conference

Washington, DC March 5 - 6
Washington, DC August 7 - 9
Boston, MA September 10 - 12

Expand your network. Share your message. Strengthen your connections. Become a NASWA Conference Sponsor!

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CALL FOR PRESENTERS:
2019 VETERANS CONFERENCE
Workshop presenters and panelists are being sought for the 2019 Veterans Conference. Those who can provide learning opportunities for conference attendees on a variety of topics relevant to serving our nation's Veterans, transitioning service members, military spouses and employers who hire them are the focus of this search.

Read More

Mark your calendar for NASWA’s 2019 conferences.

What's Happening in the States
Content from the states, for the states
Submit what's happening in your state to naswa@naswa.org

CONNECTICUT
Helping Employers Use Assistive Technology to Create an Inclusive Workplace
Labor Department Highlights Career Benefits During Registered Apprenticeship Week

IOWA
National Apprenticeship Week Highlights Opportunities For Employers, Job Seekers

MARYLAND

Governor Larry Hogan Proclaims November 12-18 National Apprenticeship Week in Maryland

National Apprenticeship Week Schedule of Events

November is Hire A Veteran Month in Proclamation by Governor Larry Hogan

MINNESOTA

Apprenticeship Minnesota Promotes and Hosts Events Across the State

MISSOURI

United Kingdom Apprenticeship Delegation to Visit Missouri During National Apprenticeship Week

MONTANA

Apprenticeships Mean Opportunity

Governor Steve Bullock Recognizes National Apprenticeship Week

SOUTH DAKOTA

Apprenticeship Summit Gathers in Mitchell, SD

Entities to Use Grants for Education

WASHINGTON

Washington Companies Honored with Hire-A-Vet Award

NASWA In Action
Interested in becoming a NASWA Affiliate? Affiliates receive exclusive perks and benefits. Learn more!

**SUMMIT**

Veterans Policy Director Lori Adams addressed the Illinois Veterans’ Educational Summit Nov. 15 in Chicago. She provided information on the Veterans conference, the Veterans’ committee’s policy work, and an overview of the National Labor Exchange.

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**WOA WAIVER APPLICATION COLLECTION**

The NASWA Employment and Training Committee’s Continuous Improvement Workgroup is collecting all state WIOA waiver applications, including DENIED, APPROVED, and PENDING waiver applications. (The USDOL WIOA waiver site only lists approved applications.) PLEASE share your state waiver applications. This project works only if most or all states share information.

You can view all posted waivers online, on a members-only page. Search “waivers” and you will be prompted to log in. If you prefer getting a direct link, notify us.

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**NASWA COORDINATES KOREAN EMPLOYMENT DELEGATION IN CALIFORNIA**

This month, a delegation from the Korean Employment and Labor Ministry visited California to learn about the United States public workforce system while also visiting with NASWA partner LinkedIn. NASWA was able to support the delegation’s visit by connecting the delegation to the California Employment Development Department (EDD), California Workforce Association (CWA), and LinkedIn. The group spent time in Sacramento meeting with EDD staff on workforce and unemployment insurance issues, visited a local American Job Center in Los Angeles and spent an afternoon learning about the LinkedIn platform. NASWA hopes to coordinate additional visits for NASWA members.
in the future. If you have particular interest in learning more about various international public employment services worldwide please reach out to Charlie Terrell. Thanks to EDD, CWA, and LinkedIn for supporting the delegations visit in the United States.

**NASWA Services**

**VIRTUAL UI APPEALS & PROSECUTIONS COURSES NOW AVAILABLE**

The National Integrity Academy is pleased to offer a new online course for UI fraud investigators. As part of the Academy’s Continuing Education program, the course provides advanced training on Appeals & Prosecutions to both new state fraud investigators who have completed the Fraud Investigations certificate program and experienced fraud investigators who would like additional training on appeals and prosecutions.

**Read More**

The NASWA Integrity Data Hub enables states to cross-match unemployment insurance data with suspicious claims to root out fraud. **Learn More**

**DISASTER UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE ONLINE TRAINING - NOW AVAILABLE**

Recently, USDOL released TEN 8-18 announcing the availability of the Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) Online Training (Course Description) that was developed in partnership with USDOL and NASWA’s UI ITSC.

**Read More**
VETERANS URGED TO APPLY FOR VA HOUSEKEEPING CAREER POSITIONS

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) recruits Veterans and non-Veterans alike for all types of healthcare careers at VA. Under a special push to fill critical vacancies,

VA is inviting Veterans to explore and apply for open housekeeping positions at facilities nationwide. “Here at VA, our housekeeping staff keeps facilities safe for our patients, and Veterans and their families rely on them,” said Darren Sherrard, associate director of VA recruitment marketing. “We are actively looking to fill these positions with the quality employees who help Veterans get better, fast.”

VA housekeeping aides receive a generous benefits package, including paid leave, and health and dental insurance. Staff who decide to move to a different VA facility take their accrued travel with them. Housekeeping aides both care for and work with Veterans, who make up 85 percent of the custodial staff. Read about housekeeping careers at VA and visit the VA Support Services page to #ChooseVA.

WORKFORCE JOBS

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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