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SNAP E&T REVIEW



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SNAP E&T National Forum Brings Together Hundreds from Across the Country to Reimagine E&T Programs

Over 350 E&T stakeholders from across the country gathered in Alexandria, VA to attend the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) second SNAP E&T National Forum on December 13-14, 2022. The Forum featured over 100 speakers and provided an excellent opportunity to hear from national experts, SNAP agencies, and SNAP E&T providers on important topics such as advancing equity in E&T programs, expanding and improving programs, and best practices for funding and other operational aspects of running a high-quality E&T program.

Several sessions were livestreamed so that individuals who could not attend in person were able to tune in. These [livestreamed](#) sessions were recorded and are now available.

Apply Now! SNAP to Skills State Institute: *Mind the Gap: Building a Bridge from Vision to Outcomes in Your SNAP E&T Program*

The USDA Food and Nutrition Service is pleased to announce the FY 2023 SNAP E&T State Institute, which will take place on September 20th and 21st, 2023 at the Westin Alexandria in Alexandria, Virginia. The SNAP E&T State Institute, *Mind the Gap: Building a Bridge from Vision to Outcomes in your SNAP E&T Program*, will provide an opportunity for State SNAP agencies to build a vision for their SNAP E&T program and build about their existing plans to accomplish the State's long-term E&T goals. FNS will work in partnership with Seattle Jobs Initiative (SJI) to operate the SNAP E&T State Institute.

State SNAP agencies are eligible and should apply on behalf of a team of up to five participants from the State SNAP agency, interagency and workforce partners, or SNAP E&T providers. The State Institute will be an in-person event in Alexandria Virginia. Applications are due by 5pm ET on February 10, 2023.

To find more information on the State Institute including how to apply click [HERE](#).

SNAP to Skills Technical Assistance Opportunity

Don't miss out on the opportunity to participate in SNAP to Skills (S2S) Rapid Response technical assistance which is available to all State SNAP agencies through September 2023. To date, several State SNAP agencies have benefited from targeted technical assistance directed at strengthening their E&T programs. Technical assistance is provided by Seattle Jobs Initiative (SJI) and MDRC in coordination with FNS.

States can request assistance on a broad range of topics which can aid in growing and improving SNAP E&T programs and services. If you are curious about how States are leveraging S2S technical assistance, here are just a few helpful project examples.

- Developing strong partnerships between SNAP E&T programs and local Workforce Boards.
- Strengthening SNAP E&T program operations such as the development of E&T provider handbooks, SNAP E&T invoice processes, and program monitoring plans.
- Improving SNAP E&T referral processes centered around the SNAP participant experience and input from SNAP eligibility workers.
- Exploring SNAP E&T intermediary roles and recruiting, assessing, and onboarding quality third-party partners.

To submit a request, make sure you [read the instructions](#) and [fill out the request form](#).

- [SNAP to Skills Technical Assistance Request Form](#)
- [SNAP to Skills Technical Assistance Request Form Instructions](#)

You can request S2S Rapid Response TA by completing and submitting a short [TA Request Form](#). Rapid Response technical assistance projects need to be completed by September 30, 2023. Don't miss out. Apply now!

Listen to the SNAP to Skills TA Information Session recording [HERE](#).

Read more about the current SNAP to Skills Project [HERE](#).

Registration is Open for the National Association of Workforce Boards Annual Forum

Register now for the National Association of Workforce Boards (NAWB) Annual Forum which is being held from March 25th to the 28th 2023 in Washington DC. This Forum may be of interest to SNAP E&T administrators and program partners. NAWB is a current FNS-funded National Training Partnership grantee and created a SNAP E&T community of practice to educate workforce boards about SNAP E&T and support partnership opportunities. The NAWB Forum will include a session on SNAP E&T and highlight Workforce Board and WIOA funding opportunities.

For more information and registration click [HERE](#).

Registration is Open for the National Skills Coalition Skills Summit

Register now for the National Skills Coalition Skills Summit which is being held from May 1st-3rd 2023 in Washington DC. Learn about critical federal skills policy – and its ties to racial equity, job quality, how to build a people-centered infrastructure, and making higher education work for working people.

For more information and registration click [HERE](#).

About the SNAP to Skills Project

Launched in October of 2015, SNAP to Skills (S2S) is a project of USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), to provide States the tools and resources they need to develop job-driven SNAP E&T programs that help SNAP participants find jobs and work toward self-sufficiency. The project seeks to help advance SNAP E&T programs in all States through these tools and resources, while also providing multiple States the opportunity to benefit from individualized technical assistance to advance their programs. In Federal Fiscal Years 22 – 23, any State may apply to receive technical assistance on a rolling basis to support specific, short-term projects to advance their E&T programs.

Previous editions of the SNAP E&T Review are accessible [HERE](#).



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