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New Issue Brief! *Come Together: Using Team-Based Case Management in SNAP E&T*

On July 28, USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) released a SNAP to Skills issue brief about using team-based case management to improve service coordination for SNAP E&T participants. Team-based case management is an innovative approach that removes redundancies and emphasizes coordination across the multiple organizations that may be serving the same participant. This brief describes how team-based case management can benefit SNAP E&T participants and provides an implementation checklist and resources for State agencies considering this approach. The brief includes promising examples from Kentucky, Vermont, and Washington, highlighting how each State used team-based case management during the 2014 Farm Bill E&T pilot projects.

Read the full brief [HERE](#).

Last Call! SNAP to Skills Technical Assistance

Time is running out on the opportunity to participate in SNAP to Skills (S2S) Rapid Response technical assistance (TA), which is available to all State SNAP agencies through September 2023. To date, 13 State SNAP agencies have benefited from rapid response TA directed at strengthening their E&T programs, which is provided by Seattle Jobs Initiative (SJI) and MDRC in coordination with FNS.

FNS is accepting requests for S2S TA from **all State SNAP agencies** interested in growing and improving their SNAP E&T programs. These requests should meet the following requirements:

- **Targeted in scope:** TA will be directed to the completion of a **specific project** and/or targeted to meet well-defined needs and objectives.
- **Limited in duration:** TA can be completed in 1-3 months.

You can request S2S Rapid Response TA by completing and submitting a short [TA Request Form](#). FNS will review all submissions and may reach out for clarifying information before moving forward. Rapid Response TA 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](#).

Upcoming Events, Important Dates, and Resource Links

Register Now: *Economic Mobility & Well-Being Conference, August 27-30, 2023, Hyatt Regency Long Beach, Long Beach, CA*

The American Public Human Services Association (APHSA) is holding the APHSA Economic Mobility & Well-Being Conference between August 27th and 30th at the Hyatt Regency in Long Beach, CA. The conference will bring together SNAP Directors, TANF Administrators, and other human services stakeholders from across the country. The conference will offer sessions on SNAP E&T services and best practices.

Register for the conference [HERE](#).

Register Now: *Annual CAEL Conference, November 8-10, 2023, Hilton Baltimore, Baltimore, MD*

The Council for Adult and Experiential Learning (CAEL) is holding its annual conference at the Baltimore Hilton in Baltimore, MD on November 8-10, 2023. The conference is a unique opportunity to network with and learn from educators, employers, and community leaders focused on aligning learning and work so that adults achieve continuous economic advancement. CAEL is currently leading an FNS-funded National Partnership Grant project focused on connecting community colleges with SNAP E&T and will offer sessions on SNAP E&T and workforce educational programming.

Register for the conference [HERE](#).

Resource: *Evidence Snapshot—Employment Retention Services*

Learn about the importance and impact of Employment Retention Services to assist job seekers maintain and progress in new employment opportunities and pathways from the Pathways to Work Evidence Clearinghouse. Job retention services are an important SNAP E&T component that benefits both the newly employed and employers. This Evidence Snapshot discusses effective interventions that impact earnings, employment, the receipt of public benefits, and supports needed to complete education and training.

Read more about this resource [HERE](#).

Resource: *Using Behavioral Insights to Increase Youth Use of Workforce Services in Virtual Contexts: Final Report*

Strategies using behavioral science insights are helpful in increasing the take-up of services and service engagement among eligible participants. This report from Mathematica shares findings from a Department of Labor (DOL) funded evaluation that examined the use of behaviorally-informed text messages to connect youth with workforce services through Ohio's Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program (CCMEP). In this study, the use of text messages increased the number of services started by CCMEP participants within the first 60 days and substantially increased service completion rates. State SNAP agencies can utilize these lessons to increase participation and engagement in SNAP E&T programs.

Read the report [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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