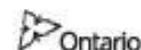


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Employment and Training Update

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Overview

1. Priorities for the Year Ahead

2. Employment and Training Updates

- Audit of Employment Ontario
- Program Evaluations
- Canada-Ontario Jobs Grant
- Youth Job Connection
- Skills Advance Ontario
- Ontario's Access Talent Strategy
- Indigenous Training
- Apprenticeship Modernization

3. Questions



Priorities for the Year Ahead

1. Continuous Improvement
2. Customer Service
3. Innovation
4. Engagement



Continuous Improvement: Audit of Employment Ontario

- Report was released in November 2016.
- 18 recommendations and 35 recommended actions in five theme areas.
- Follow-up to Value for Money Audit will be sometime in 2017-18.



Continuous Improvement: Program Evaluations

➤ Literacy and Basic Skills Evaluation

- Released on the Employment Ontario Partner's Gateway on April 11, 2017.

➤ Second Career Evaluation

- Released on the Employment Ontario Partner's Gateway on April 12, 2017.



Continuous Improvement: Canada-Ontario Jobs Grant

- A consultation was held on April 20th with service providers to discuss upcoming program changes.
- Feedback from the consultation as well as broader input gathered from service providers will be used to make improvements to the program.



Continuous Improvement: Youth Job Connection

- The Youth Job Connection Program was launched in October 2015. Since launch there have been:
 - Over 23,400 service plans started;
 - More than 9,900 client job placements; and
 - Over 7,000 have successfully completed.
- As part of Continuous Improvement, the ministry is currently reviewing feedback from stakeholders about how to improve the experiences of clients, employers and service providers.



Customer Service: SkillsAdvance Ontario Pilot

- Launched in October 2016, SkillsAdvance Ontario is a two year sector-focused development pilot supporting workforce development in key growth sectors. The pilot:
 - Provides employers with job ready, skilled workers who meet their needs.
 - Provides jobseekers with sector focused employment and training services, including a paid job placement.
- Four sector focused projects in the following industries/sectors:
 - Hospitality (Central Region)
 - Construction (Central Region)
 - Manufacturing Sector (Western Region)
 - General Industrial Manufacturing sector (Eastern Region)



Customer Service: Ontario's Access Talent Strategy

- Announced on June 5, the Access Talent Strategy is aimed at connecting more people with disabilities to meaningful job opportunities, and helping more employers meet their workforce needs.
- As part of the Strategy, the Supported Employment program, will be delivered through the Employment Ontario network.
 - Phase 1 of the program will be launched within the next year, providing employment services to those who need more intensive support than what is currently offered.
 - The program will offer flexibility and choice to meet a broad range of needs.



Innovation: Indigenous Training

- The Ministry's Northern Region Branch has been supporting various Indigenous activities across the region, including:
 - Training and Capacity building for both Shoal Lake #39 and #40;
 - Funding a two year literacy and Basic Skills program in Timmins Region;
 - Working with KKETs/Matawa to pursue apprenticeship opportunities for community members; and
 - Other supports/partnerships in an effort to bring more indigenous providers into the EO network.



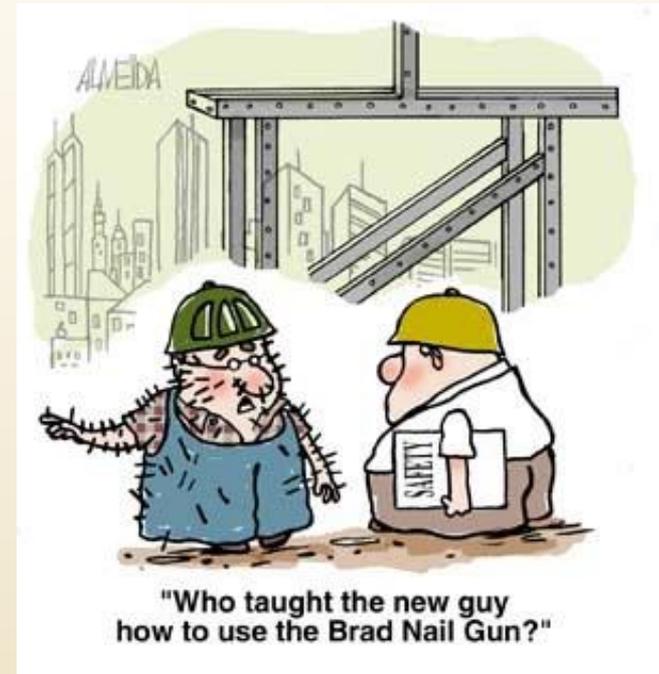
Innovation: Local Employment Planning Councils

- Local Employment Planning Councils (LEPCs) across the province have developed innovative tools, reports, and partnerships to respond to community labour market needs.



Engagement: Apprenticeship Modernization

- The Ministry is continuing its effort to modernize the Apprenticeship system.
- Engagement sessions with Stakeholders will be held on June 15 and July 25.
- The goal of these sessions is to work with stakeholders to:
 - identify and map the primary challenges faced by apprentices;
 - learn about promising practices to address these challenges; and
 - chart an action plan.



Questions?

