

EXPANSION OF
REGISTERED
APPRENTICESHIP
PROGRAMS
INITIATIVE

The Nation is Hiring in the Fastest Growing Industries!



About net.America

net.America is a Woman-Owned 8(m) certified management consulting firm with more than 25 years of federal and state government contracting experience. Small but laser-focused, net.America consistently "Delivers the Right Solutions" to clients by listening, studying the needs of our clients and making customized recommendations that solve the complex challenges at hand. Since 2000, net.America has been providing information technology solutions in the following core areas: Software Development, Program Management, Healthcare, Contact Center and Grants Management. More at: discovernetamerica.com.



net.America's Expansion of Registered Apprenticeship Programs initiative is an Industry Intermediary focused on developing apprenticeship programs and increasing the number apprenticeship opportunities to drive the Nation's success!

Program Background

On September 10, 2020, the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration's Office of Apprenticeship awarded net.America a five-year contract to expand registered apprenticeship programs (RAPs) in the healthcare, technology and energy sectors, nationwide. Expansion of Registered Apprenticeship Programs (ERAP) initiative is a program created to carry out these goals.

Every year, there are more than **600,000** healthcare and **100,000+** energy new job openings in the United States. The demand is growing at an average rate of 17.4% in the healthcare arena and 61% in energy (as a wind turbine technician). In addition to growing opportunities, a shortage of entry-level healthcare workers exists and needs to be addressed. In the energy sector, lack of experience, training, or technical skills are top reasons for hiring difficulty by employers. The need for technical training/certifications, expanded investments in workforce training and closer coordination between employers and the workforce training system is key to addressing the gaps across industries.

The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) is investing in these programs to address this critical nationwide workforce challenge.

As an Industry Intermediary, net.America is uniquely positioned to convene employers within an industry or sub-sector to determine skill needs and workforce trends and to work with employers on a regional and national level to develop apprenticeship programs with the goal of increasing the number of apprenticeship opportunities.



net.America's ERAP initiative is committed to enrolling an average of 750 apprentices per year!

Mission

- Expand current and create new RAPs for career seekers.
- Commitment to enrolling an average of 750 Registered Apprentices or more a year over the life of the contract.

Approach

net.America will establish new and expand current healthcare, technology, and energy apprenticeships for career seekers by working with employers, industry and trade association executives, public officials, workforce professionals, secondary/post-secondary educators, and registered apprenticeship experts. More specifically, net.America will:

- Build awareness of RAPs and facilitate peer learning.
- Manage outreach and recruitment and convene apprenticeship forums.
- Initiate new apprenticeship programs and expand sustainable existing RAPs.
- Conduct research and evaluations and prepare a promising practices guide.

In addition, net.America will issue incentive funds to eligible programs to strategically launch sustainable promising registered apprenticeship programs.

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