

2023-25 NCWorks Commission Committees

Employer Leadership Committee

This committee supports strategies to ensure the workforce development system is visible, relevant, efficient, and easy to access by employers. The committee strives to connect employers to qualified, work-ready employees through meaningful partnerships with the workforce system.

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Skills and Educational Attainment Committee

This committee identifies strategies, policies, and other activities to ensure North Carolina has the workforce needed for a strong and vibrant economy. It also seeks to identify and promote strategies that support credential attainment and career advancement.

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Governance and System Alignment Committee

This committee supports strategies and oversees activities that foster a more aligned and responsive system that is easy to access and customer oriented. The committee focuses on using data to drive strategies, measure performance, increase transparency, and improve accountability of the system. The committee promotes collaboration, policy alignment, innovation, and communication among workforce system agencies and partners.

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Local Innovation Committee

This committee identifies leadership opportunities for the advancement of workforce professionals, while promoting the replication of creative solutions through local innovation.

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