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Subject: Strong Workforce Program Round 2 Rollout: Local and Regional Template and Reporting

Features in "Nova"

Dear Colleagues,

Earlier this week, the Chancellor's Office released the Strong Workforce Program District and Region Allocations for Round 2 (pending Board of Governor's approval). As Round 2 Strong Workforce Program planning and expenditures get underway, the Chancellor's Office is pleased to present the following information about the "Nova" planning template, and reporting system for the Strong Workforce Program. "Nova" is the Workforce and Economic Development Division's contract, grants, and allocation management platform for Strong Workforce Program funds. Please review the following information and timelines for submitting plans for 2017-18 in "Nova":

• We listened to your feedback, and the "Nova" system now combines the former Local Share Template System and Regional Share Template System under one platform. "Nova" will go live on August 1, 2017 for beta users with a hard launch on August 15, 2017 for the 114 colleges and 8 regions.

- The 2016-17 Regional and Local Share templates will no longer be available for editing beginning August
 1, 2017; however, you can still view <u>plans and analytics for Round 1</u>. On October 1, 2017 a reporting
 module will be available in "Nova" to give users the ability to edit budgets and metrics from the 2016-17
 Round 1 plans. Colleges and regions can enter expenditures to date and quarterly thereafter in "Nova".
- "Nova" will hard-launch and go live on August 15, 2017, and will give colleges and regions the
 opportunity to begin entering 2017-18 project information. Please refer to the <u>Nova System</u>
 <u>Instructions</u> on the Strong Workforce Program website for a walkthrough guide of "Nova." You can also
 refer to the <u>Round 2 FAQ's</u> for more information.
- An initial series of webinars to walk through "Nova" will be offered beginning the third week of August. Please refer to the <u>master calendar</u> and <u>upcoming events link</u> for more information on times and dates.

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