

## **What Works Conference 2008 Technical Assistance Workshop**

### **Moving State Highly Qualified Teacher (HQT) Plans From Compliance to Implementation**

In this workshop, the National Comprehensive Center for Teacher Quality (TQ Center) will continue working with regional comprehensive centers (RCCs) and state education agencies (SEAs) to implement state HQT plans. Workshop presenters and participants will discuss the topic of how to shift components of the plan from technical compliance to policy levers for change. The workshop will focus on the following:

- RCC and SEA collaboration on the implementation of state HQT plans
- Infrastructure development and initiation of the implementation process
- Provisions of Section 2141 of NCLB [Title II, Part A, Subpart 4, Section 2141]<sup>1</sup>
- Data collection and reporting
- Technical assistance for and monitoring of LEAs

Participants will have the opportunity to hear about these issues from an interactive panel presentation of RCC and SEA representatives. In addition, participants will be able to discuss targeted small-group discussions facilitated by TQ Center staff.

### **Goals**

This workshop seeks to build the capacity of RCCs and SEAs to do the following:

- Reaffirm the importance of state HQT plans as an opportunity to create or reinforce policy for change.
- Learn about and reflect on examples of how some states across the country are implementing their HQT plans or components of their plans.
- Create and/or improve actionable strategies toward the achievement of teacher and leadership quality goals outlined in state HQT plans.
- Access tools and resources available from the TQ Center and/or RCC and SEA colleagues that might be useful for implementing state HQT plans.

### **Outcomes**

There are three primary intended outcomes for this workshop:

- Participants will walk away with several ideas, examples, and resources for implementing state HQT plans or components of state HQT plans.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/esea02/pg24.html#sec2141>

- Participants will develop or strengthen important relationships that can be accessed when questions, concerns, or ideas regarding the implementation of state HQT plans arise.
- Participants will walk away with one or two ideas about how to address obstacles, questions, and other related issues that are specific to the workshop focus areas.

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