Workforce Connections Knowledge Exchange

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The Department of Labor has developed an online workforce productivity enhancement Environment called "Workforce Connections" to support the president's 21st century workforce initiative. This environment is currently being explored with the Pacific Resources for Education and Learning (PREL) and the Department of Education for use as a central repository for curriculum by teachers. Other applications include emergency response personnel communities of practice, on-line content repositories, and interactive learning.

The Workforce Connections environment streamlines and simplifies the creation, editing, and distribution of knowledge objects across the organizational enterprise without the need for authoring tools or learning management systems. No programming or HTML editing is required for subject matter experts to build on-line content employing structured text, audio, video, photographs, animation, documents, and interactive exercises. The Workforce Connections Knowledge Exchange is SCORM conformant and is compliant with the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) Section 508. This paper will demonstrate that these knowledge objectives can be presented dynamically as a conventional Web site, Community of Practice or Online Learning.

Workforce Connections is an integral program with the Department of Labor's new 21st Century Partnership Lab. Agencies interested in partnering with DOL to employ this new approach can learn more at: www.Workforce-Connections.com.