

# POLICY SUMMIT

## Powering America's Future By Empowering Workers

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While everyone agrees creating more jobs is America's top priority, many U.S. companies, including in the energy industry, have been unable to find workers with the skills they need to compete and innovate.

At the same time, there are many veterans returning home who are looking for work, students preparing to enter the workforce, women joining the workforce in record numbers, and thousands of displaced older workers all interested and capable of making substantial contributions to the economy.

Find answers to key questions such as, How can we empower potential employees to gain the skills and training necessary to be part of the workforce of the future? How can industries, such as energy and utilities, transform their workforce to create opportunities for these workers? How can the federal government incentivize the hiring of particular groups of workers? What are examples of innovative education and skill-training that can create career paths in to high demand fields?

Join National Journal and a panel of experts – including voices from key federal agencies, companies that actively invest in skill-building, leading academics, workforce development experts, and others - as we explore what steps can be taken to better prepare these workers for jobs in the energy industry and continue to put Americans back to work.



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