

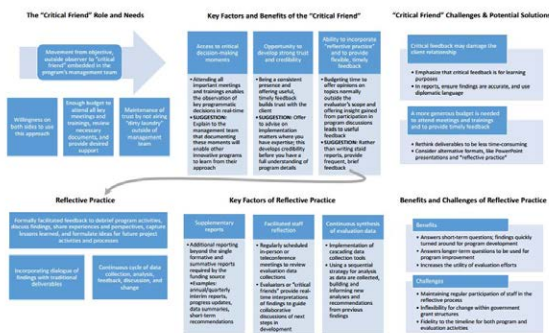


# Building Bridges for Student Success

A new brief has been added to TCI's Strategies for Transformative Change Series. This series provides summaries of the scaling strategies employed by TAACCCT consortia and includes any available evidence of success. The newest brief, [Building Bridges for Student Success](#), focuses on the National STEM Consortium (NSC). This collaboration of ten community colleges in nine states is developing five nationally portable, one-year (30-credit) certificate programs: Cyber Technology, Mechatronics, Environmental Technology, Composite Technology, and Electric Vehicle Technology.

Learn more about the strategies that NSC is using increase student success rates and accelerate time to completion.

Read the brief.



# Moving from Objective Outsider to "Critical Friend"

The US Department of Labor is awarding Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College Career Training (TAACCCT) grants to community colleges to implement innovative

career pathway training programs. Rather than relying on traditional government-funded implementation study methods, both Hezel Associates, LLC and Social Policy Research Associates incorporated aspects of Michael Quinn Patton's developmental evaluation (DE) approach to their evaluations of these grants.

Read more.

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## Using Evaluation to Grow Impact

This is the tenth post in a series about the Transformative Change Initiative (TCI) and is based on the 2014 TCI booklet. This post discusses the seventh guiding principle in the TCI Framework.



Using multiple forms of research and evaluation is important to scaling innovation. Comprehensive approaches to evaluation are also especially important when capacity building is undertaken, such as with TAACCCT.

[Read more.](#)

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## Congratulations to All TAACCCT Round 4 Recipients

TCI would like to congratulate the winners of \$450 million in grants going to community colleges across the country as part of the Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT) grant program. Learn more about the 2014 TAACCCT grants, listed by state, [here](#).

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