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National Perspectives on Technical Skill Attainment

- OVAE's vision and goals for measuring technical skill attainment
- Actions OVAE has taken
- Major barriers and obstacles

OVAE's Vision and Goals

- To have the United States be the leader in workforce skill attainment.
- For all states to have a rigorous set of assessments that are industry-recognized and/or State-approved.

OVAE Actions

- Issued non-regulatory guidance
- Hosting Data Quality Institutes (DQI)
- Hosting Next Steps Accountability Workgroup (NSWG) conference calls
- Offering individual technical assistance to states

Major Barriers/Obstacles

- Variety of skill assessments in each state
- Costs
- Too few professional development opportunities to help teachers integrate academic knowledge with applied content
- Secondary to postsecondary transitions