



TAACCCT Grant Fact Sheet

Central Georgia Technical College, on September 25, 2013, was awarded the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration's *Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training Grant (TAACCCT)* for a four year period.

Award Amount: \$2,622,249.00

Grant Period: October 01, 2013 thru September 30, 2017

Program Title: Central Georgia Healthcare Workforce Alliance (CGHWA)

Program Purpose:

To develop a collaborative, blended learning, technology-driven approach to creating healthcare career pathways with multiple opportunities for entry and exit which will allow TAA eligible, veteran (VA), Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) participants, and others such as the under-employed and the unemployed, to gain the education and credentials required for employment in high-demand healthcare careers.

Activities:

- Incorporation of evidence-based strategies
- Infusion of technology in guided pathway courses
- Implementation of a full scale healthcare alliance between CGTC and business and industry
- Collaboration of internal and external stakeholders
- Development of educational and career pathways with multiple entry and exit points
- Enhancement of student opportunities for academic progression flexibility through transfer and articulation agreements

Progress to Date: October 01, 2013 – September 30, 2017

- Collaborated with the CGHWA Advisory Board, comprised of healthcare business and industry partners, to create a more strategic workforce development partnership.
- Participated in U.S. Congressman Sanford D. Bishop, Jr. Roundtable Discussion in Atlanta, GA with former U.S. Secretary of Labor, Thomas Perez and Albany Technical College, a fellow TAACCCT grantee.
- Honored as 2017 Models of Excellence Awardee by University Business, Best for Vets: Career & Technical Colleges by the Military Times, Earned the designation of "Top School" from Military Advanced Education and Transition's Guide to Top Colleges and Universities, and was Designated as a 2017 Military Friendly® School.
- Outfitted **75** classrooms with technology allowing synchronous and asynchronous class attendance, which increases the total to **95** TelePresence classrooms throughout the ten CGTC campuses and instructional sites.
- Expanded BlendFlex opportunities: the BlendFlex strategy completed its 8th semester of instruction
~ **21** BlendFlex strategy classes implemented since summer 2014.
~ Over **1,476** students enrolled in BlendFlex classes since summer 2014.
~ Over **1,350** unique participants served; exceeding the original grant goal of 900.
- Provided flexibility and expanded educational opportunities via technology enhancements for health care students while maintaining student success rates that are better or comparable to other sections of the same course.
- Trained over **46** CGTC faculty in the BlendFlex Professional Development Class during the grant implementation period.
- Promoted the BlendFlex strategy to over 6,900 business and industry partners, regional and national conference participants, community members, high school seniors, and current and prospective students by sharing the innovative opportunity available in CGTC Health Science programs.
- Expansion of technology and best practices for Adult Education instruction and distance tutoring, as well as planned implementation with local high school partners for dual enrollees.