Guided Pathways in the National Context

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How did we get here?

• Achieving the Dream
  – A decade of institutional reform
• Developmental Education Initiative
  – Small pockets of success
• “Get with the Program”
  – Making the connection for students
• Completion by Design
  – Initial investment in structured pathways
• Guided Pathways to Success
• A growing pathways movement…. 
The proportion of community college students completing community college and earning a credential has not changed

Why?

- Problems of scale
  - Pilots cannot be scaled
- Challenges in institutional transformation
  - Institutions not prepared to restructure
- Demographic and economic changes
  - Declining enrollment and declining state appropriation
- State policy undermines quality of implementation
  - Florida and Connecticut
Who else is doing this?

• Completion by Design
  – Florida, North Carolina and Ohio
• Guided Pathways to Success
  – Georgia, Indiana and Tennessee
• Texas Completes Colleges
• City Colleges of Chicago
• Houston Community College District
• ASU/Maricopa Community College
The Work of the Other Centers

- **Arkansas** – deep guided pathways reform in six colleges
- **Ohio** – implementation of performance based funding; spreading CBD lessons
- **Texas** – implementation New Mathways; leadership teams – spreading structured pathways lessons from Texas Completes colleges
- **California** – professional development
- **Connecticut** – pathways summit; leveraging existing TAACCT grants around STEM
- **New Jersey** – pathways reforms; implementing ‘Big Ideas’ strategic plan for colleges
North Carolina Student Success Learning Institute

- A Student Success Team from each campus comprising the chief academic officer, the chief student development officer, the director of institutional research, and a faculty member, all nominated and supported by the president
- A two-day meeting for all teams in fall and a two-day follow-up event
- Regional technical assistance meetings
- An ongoing Internet-based Moodle course with webinars, participatory activities and videos
- Access to national experts and supports from the North Carolina cadre colleges
Examples of Policy Levers to Support Implementation

- Clear and well articulated transfer pathways
  - Arizona
  - North Carolina
  - Texas
- Aligning performance-based funding metrics
  - Ohio
- Leveraging other smaller scale pathways work
  - TAACCT
  - Career Pathways
- Implementation of existing legislation
  - Connecticut
  - Florida
A Collective Agenda

We have learned.....

Institutional Reform

State Activities
Questions?

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