

**Abstract:**

**I. Lead Applicant Name:** Central New Mexico Community College

**II. Lead Applicant City/State:** Albuquerque, New Mexico

**III. Primary Partnership Entities:** **a. Name and Type of Private Sector Entity:** New Mexico Technology Council (business-representative organization); **b. Name and Type of Public Sector Entity:** Central New Mexico Community College (public education or training provider)

**IV. Additional Key Partner(s):** State of New Mexico, City of Albuquerque, Presbyterian Healthcare Services, Innovate+Educate/TalentABQ, NM Workforce Connection, NM Technology Council, SUN PATH

**V. Areas Served by Grant:** Bernalillo, Sandoval, Valencia (counties), some components will be statewide

**VI. Total Funding Level Requested:** \$2,999,553.43

**VII. Project Name:** The New Mexico Information Technology Apprenticeship Program (NM ITAP)

**VIII. Summary of Program Activities:** NM ITAP will offer On the Job Learning and Job Related Technical Instruction for five IT career paths. It will provide training and apprenticeships in high-growth, high-quality careers to incumbent and new hires with a focus on creating pipelines to H-1B-industries for underrepresented persons. The Albuquerque metro area is an ideal location for this project, as it represents nearly three-fourths of H-1B positions in IT. The project will produce the first RACC Registered Apprenticeships in the state and is designed to be scalable statewide through a partnership and infrastructure developed with the DOL TAACCCT-funded SUN PATH consortium of community colleges working in IT and Health. NM ITAP engages a range of partners, including businesses, industry, workforce, state and local government, and a business intermediary (with 12 committed employer partners). NM ITAP will present a series of educational and training innovations, including: competency-based and accelerated elements, frontloading national foundational skills, flexible formatting to accommodate the needs of employers and participants, wrap-around supports customized to unique student needs, building sharable and scalable tracking systems, and work toward new state apprenticeship policies.

**IX. Numbers of Participants to be Served:** 300

**X. Populations to be Served:** Persons of color, women, veterans and transitioning service members, un- and underemployed, low-skilled workers

**XI. Targeted H-1B Industry(s)/Occupations:** 1) IT Developer, 2) IT Security, 3) IT Systems, 4) IT User Support, and 5) Health IT

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