THE MANUFACTURING INSTITUTE’S TOOLKITS
WHAT RESOURCES DO WE OFFER AND WHAT CAN THEY DO FOR YOU?

FOR EMPLOYERS

Developing Skilled Workers: A Toolkit for Manufacturers on Recruiting and Training a Quality Workforce
A how-to guide for manufacturers that includes resources and step-by-step implementation of the Skills Certification System. This toolkit also includes how you can partner with your community, community colleges, or build your own system.

Employers Playbook for Building an Apprenticeship Program
The product of a collaboration including Alcoa, Dow, and Siemens, the Apprenticeship Toolkit has everything you need to understand how to build a successful apprenticeship program.

Workforce Guide: Overcoming the Manufacturing Skills Gap
The National Association of Manufacturers Task Force has developed a guide for building a workforce-ready talent pipeline. This guide helps manufacturers speak with one voice regarding the workforce needed to sustain and grow manufacturing.

FOR EDUCATORS

Building a Manufacturing Talent Pipeline: A Toolkit for Educators on How to Embed Industry Certifications to Improve Outcomes in Technical Education
This toolkit provides an introduction to skills certifications, why educators should use certifications, certification models, and key steps to launching the system. It also addresses your frequently asked questions and includes sample resources and templates.

Developing Skilled Workers: A Toolkit for Educators and Workforce Professionals on Manufacturing Certifications
A how-to guide for educators to implement industry recognized training programs to fit their local manufacturers needs. This toolkit is designed for educators to become more familiar with certifications and a company’s unique process in order to develop your own techniques for implementing certifications.

FOR COMMUNITIES

Developing Skilled Workers: A Toolkit for Communities on Using the Skills Certification System
Community leaders play a significant role in closing the skills gap. This toolkit shows how communities can help support its manufacturing workforce outlined in four major steps -- planning and research, design and development, implementation and system building, and policy and sustainability.

Close the Skills Gap: A Framework to Address the Current and Future Skills and Workforce Development Gaps
The Manufacturing Institute is aggressively working to improve the manufacturing industry through their three goals of image, quality, and policy. The framework laid out in this resource is focused on maintaining U.S. manufacturing as a strong industry that is globally competitive.

Close the Skills Gap [Regional]
We are using our Close the Skills Gap framework to develop a regional roadmap. We launched the first in Arizona, teaming up with the Arizona Manufacturing Partnership to address the current and future skills and workforce development gaps in their region.

See all of our toolkits available at: