

180 Skills, LLC in Partnership with the State of Connecticut As Part of Free Online Job Training Solution for Residents Affected By COVID-19

For Immediate Release – Indianapolis – July 13, 2020 - Amid the negative economic impact of COVID-19 in the country, 180 Skills has partnered with the Governor's CT Back To Work Initiative in Connecticut. The partnership was developed to offer free online career building courses to Connecticut residents who have been impacted economically by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The CT Back To Work Initiative provides free, user-friendly career resources and training to workers and businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. 180 Skills was selected to deliver online career training for the State's manufacturing sector, and to provide training for career-building and soft skills training that all career seekers need.

The program is available to all Connecticut residents. To enroll in the 180 Skills courses, the job seekers complete an online self-assessment test to help them determine the best pathway for them to pursue. Students receive access to the courses within 1-2 business days and have access for 12 months.

"We are excited to be a part of this online skills training solution that the state of Connecticut is offering," said Joe Kitterman, Founder and CEO of 180 Skills. "COVID-19 has had such an unforeseen impact on so many. Being able to offer skills training and deliver it to workers and job seekers, safely online, and know they will be able to improve on their current skills or start a new career is why we do what we do."

"Our competency-based skills training system has enabled us to have a large-scale community impact. We've spent the past ten years building the world's largest skills training library" said Kitterman. "We have been honing our integrations and back-end delivery systems so that when partners come to us, we can act immediately. In the case of the CT Back To Work Initiative, we had the program ready for students in less than two weeks."

Over the past few months, 180 Skills has partnered with educational institutions and governments in Indiana, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Texas, and Nevada to help them launch skills training programs to help people in need.