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## Northeast Advanced Manufacturing Consortium Wins 2016 Workforce Training Partnership Award at Statewide Jobs & Workforce Summit



Devens, MA (November 7, 2016) – Northeast Advanced Manufacturing Consortium (NAMC) was presented with the 2016 Workforce Training Partnership of the Year Award at the **7th Annual MA Jobs and Workforce Summit**, hosted by the Workforce Solutions Group, at the Devens Commons on October 26, 2016. Governor Charlie Baker, Congressman Seth Moulton, Secretary Ron Walker, and over 300 business, labor, education, and workforce leaders gathered to discuss employment and training strategies for the Commonwealth.

Susan Quinones, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Workforce Professionals Association (MWPA) and Bob Bauer, Massachusetts AFL-CIO, presented the award to Brian Norris, Director of the Consortium, during a reception at the Summit.

Kathie Mainzer, Executive Director of the Workforce Solutions Group, shared “We are proud to present NAMC with this year’s Workforce Training Partnership Award. In just two years, NAMC has built strong working relationships with advanced manufacturers in the area, and established training programs that are an important recruitment resource for regional manufacturers. Their vision and leadership in the region is one of the many reasons we are excited to present them with this year’s award.”

Additional recipients included:

**Lifetime Achievement for Advocacy Award** – Jack Healey

**Employer of the Year** – Consigli Construction

**Youth Workforce Program of the Year** – UTEC, Inc.

**Legislator of the Year (Senate)** – Senator Kenneth J. Donnelly

**Legislator of the Year (House)** – Representative Joseph F. Wagner

About the Jobs & Workforce Summit:

Now in its seventh year, the Jobs Summit attracts more than 300 key policy makers, business, labor and education leaders. Featured speakers present the latest information about labor market and credential needs, career pathways, higher education initiatives, and innovative employment strategies for young adults. In addition, each year we present the WSG Workforce Champion Awards to the Employer of the Year, Training Partnership of the Year, Best Youth Employment program, and the rare Lifetime Achievement Award for Advocacy. Learn more at: <https://form.jotform.com/61947204603958>

About Workforce Solutions Group:

The Workforce Solutions Group is a robust statewide advocacy coalition playing a major role in setting the state’s agenda for skills training and workforce development. Formed in 2003, the Workforce Solutions Group’s work has led to significant advances in workforce development programs across the state. WSG has worked with over 30 agencies and 800 regional and statewide partners to consistently formulate and influence workforce development and economic development policy. Learn more at:

<http://www.workforcesolutionsgrp.org/>

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