Insights Conference Session Spotlight: Dynamic Data Usage

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State & Federal Agency Staff + Data Scientists + Educators + Entrepreneurs + Researchers + Workforce Professionals

Conference Information

DATE: Tuesday, June 30, 2015
TIME: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
LOCATION: University of Mary Washington: Stafford Campus
125 University Blvd., Fredericksburg, VA 22406

VLDS Insights Conference is back for the third year in 2015. In addition to new data insights, the 2015 conference will highlight new partner agencies that have joined VLDS and fresh opportunities that will come from those new partnerships. The conference opens at 8:00 AM with registration, networking, and a demonstration of VLDS. Sessions run from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM.

Register now for the Early-Bird price of $75. Price increases on May 16.
Find more information at www.cit.org/insights-conference.

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Session Spotlight: Dynamic Data Usage

Education Data in the States: A National Perspective
DQC's Taryn Hochleitner discusses states' progress in building systems and policies to support the effective use of data, and highlights specific examples of new and innovative state efforts to make information available to families and the public, develop high-school feedback reports, and establish cross-agency governance.

High School Innovators
A panel of students and educators share the inspiring story of what high school students at Deep Run High School are creating with VLDS data. Hear from these next generation innovators utilizing data in new and exciting ways.

Research Tipping Point on Policy
When does new research reach a point to indicate policy change? Tod Massa of SCHEV examines how, and more importantly, when policy changes result from new research insights.

Statewide Instructional Improvement System
Bethann Canada talks about VDOE's project to improve the way school divisions are supported by the Commonwealth in using data to improve instruction. Virginia's unique Instructional Improvement Architecture that includes a system that will allow educators to compare students' state and local data side by side to enable them to develop strategies and interventions. Virginia also is developing a first-of-its-kind data literacy professional development center to help teachers, administrators and others understand the role data plays in improving students' outcomes, what the data means and how it can be used to create more dynamic classrooms.

Students Developing Apps Using VLDS Data

Apps4VA, the one-of-a-kind program created by the Virginia Department of Education and the Center for Innovative Technology, is well underway. Four sections of students at James Madison University and four teams of students at the Center for Information Technology at Deep Run High School in Henrico, Va. are developing apps based on data available in the Virginia Longitudinal Data System. JMU's final demonstrations were held April 27-28 for the JMU teams and high school teams will present their apps on May 6. Teams compete for prestige, project grades, fun prizes and unique opportunities.

This year's prize package is even more exciting. Teams of students will be sharing their experiences and unveiling their apps to the public during the 2015 VLDS Insights Conference. And Apps4VA JMU winners will have the opportunity to compete in Governor McAuliffe's 2015 HackVA Challenge. This multi-tiered competition brings

together teams from across the Commonwealth representing industry, government and higher education to improve government by creating new applications. Winning projects will be selected during regional events to be held throughout Virginia and these teams will be invited to compete at a final Commonwealth HackVA event in Richmond in September. Top teams will be invited to refine their projects and demonstrate their final products to an audience of state and local government innovators at the September COVITS 2015 conference.

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