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### Move UP! to Present at the 35th Annual CAACE Conference

Ren and Sarah of Move UP! will be presenting at the Connecticut Association for Adult and Continuing Education ([CAACE](#)) Conference on March 31st and April 1st, 2016. The workshop will create an awareness and understanding of the broader landscape required to support adult learners through coalition building as a foundation for an adult career pathways system.

### Move UP! and Hartford YWCA Collaborate on Career Pathways Project

Move UP's Pathways Navigator, Ren Brockmeyer, has been working with the [Hartford YWCA](#) as they develop their "YW Career Women" career pathways project that has been funded by the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving. The project's goal is to provide pathways that lead to college graduation and jobs in healthcare, technology, and manufacturing. The YWCA is partnering with [Manchester Adult Education](#)'s REACT program and [Manchester Community College](#) to provide stackable credentials through certification programs and associate's programs. Together, the partners will work with the industry sectors to align education, training, and a career pathways leading to higher wages and employment levels.



### 12 Graduate from New EKG Technician Course at Capital Community College

[Capital Community College](#) and the [1199 Training Fund](#) recently recognized 12 graduates of their new Electrocardiogram (EKG) Technician Course. All twelve are health care workers who are members of District 1199, New England Healthcare Employees Union, and were sponsored by the 1199 Training and Upgrading Fund.

Run through the College's School of Workforce and Continuing Education, the 63 hour course meets two evenings a week and prepares students to be employed in hospitals, laboratories, or cardiologists' offices. The EKG program was evaluated for college credit by Charter Oak State College's CCAP (Connecticut Credit Assessment Program), and has been awarded 3 college credits.

EKG Technicians specialize in electrocardiogram testing of patients. By attaching electrodes to the patient's chest, arms and legs, EKG Technicians use EKG machines to monitor the heart's performance. Data captured by EKG Technicians assists doctors in diagnosing heart conditions. Projected job growth in this field is expected to increase by 22% over the next ten years, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The next EKG Technician class will start on February 22, 2016. To register or find out more information, contact [Ruth Krems](#) or by phone at (860) 906-5142.

### Two-Generational Strategies in Connecticut

The State has begun convening its multi-site learning community on two-generational strategies. Convened by the [Connecticut Commission on Children](#), providers from all six pilot sites (Bridgeport, Colchester, Meriden, New Haven, Norwalk, and Greater Hartford) have been gathering each month to learn about national work in this area, as well as hear from experts in the field, parent participants, and practitioners who have implemented successful models.

Move UP! has been convening more than 70 individuals from 42 different organizations to collaborate on the Greater Hartford pilot project, which will include the cities of East Hartford, Hartford, and West Hartford. Proposals for the pilot projects are due on March 4, 2016, and implementation is anticipated to begin in April.

### Hartford Foundation Awards Funding to Nine Career Pathways Programs

The [Hartford Foundation for Public Giving](#) awarded more than \$3,000,000 over the next three years to support career pathways programs for low-level adult learners. The funded programs prepare participants for work in sectors that anticipate growth, such as food service, manufacturing, and allied health; and bring together the multitude of supports that are necessary to achieve student success. Move UP! is supporting this initiative by providing technical assistance and convening the pathways learning community.



- [Upcoming Meetings & Events](#) -

Move UP! Annual Meeting  
Wednesday, May 25, 2016  
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM  
Location TBD

