Transition Readiness Toolkit

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Agenda

01. BACKGROUND FOR THE TRT

02. DEVELOPMENT OF THE TRT

03. TRANSITION READINESS TOOLKIT

04. USE AND BENEFITS

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Early USOR Efforts

Month 2016

USOR first began to consider pre-post measures of Pre-ETS

January 2017

Pre-ETS Contracts finalized
Contractors began using their own assessment

November 2021

First use of the Transition Readiness Assessment Battery

February 2022

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Process of Development

May 2020

USOR sought support with pre-post assessment

September 2020

After thorough review determined the need to create new assessment battery

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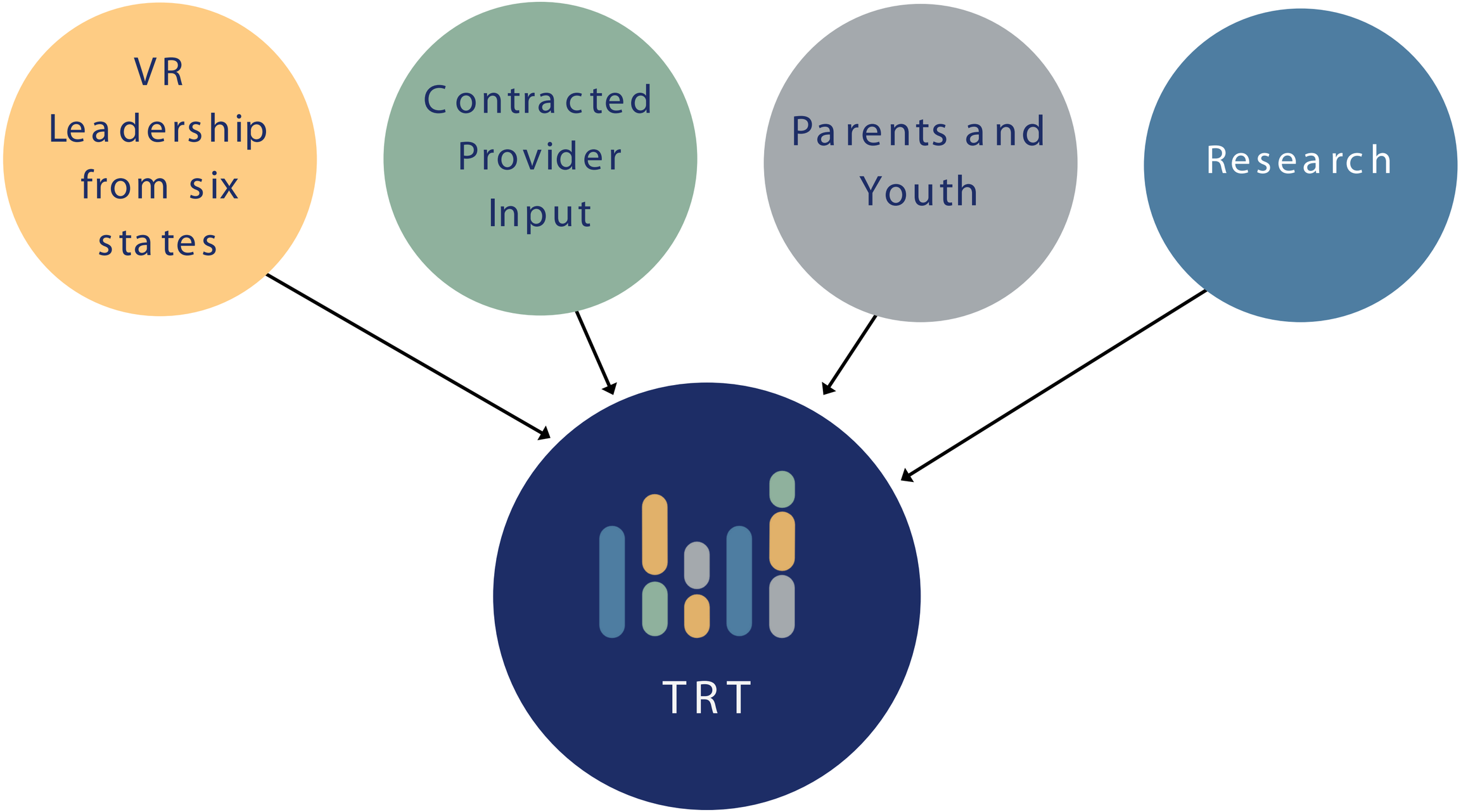
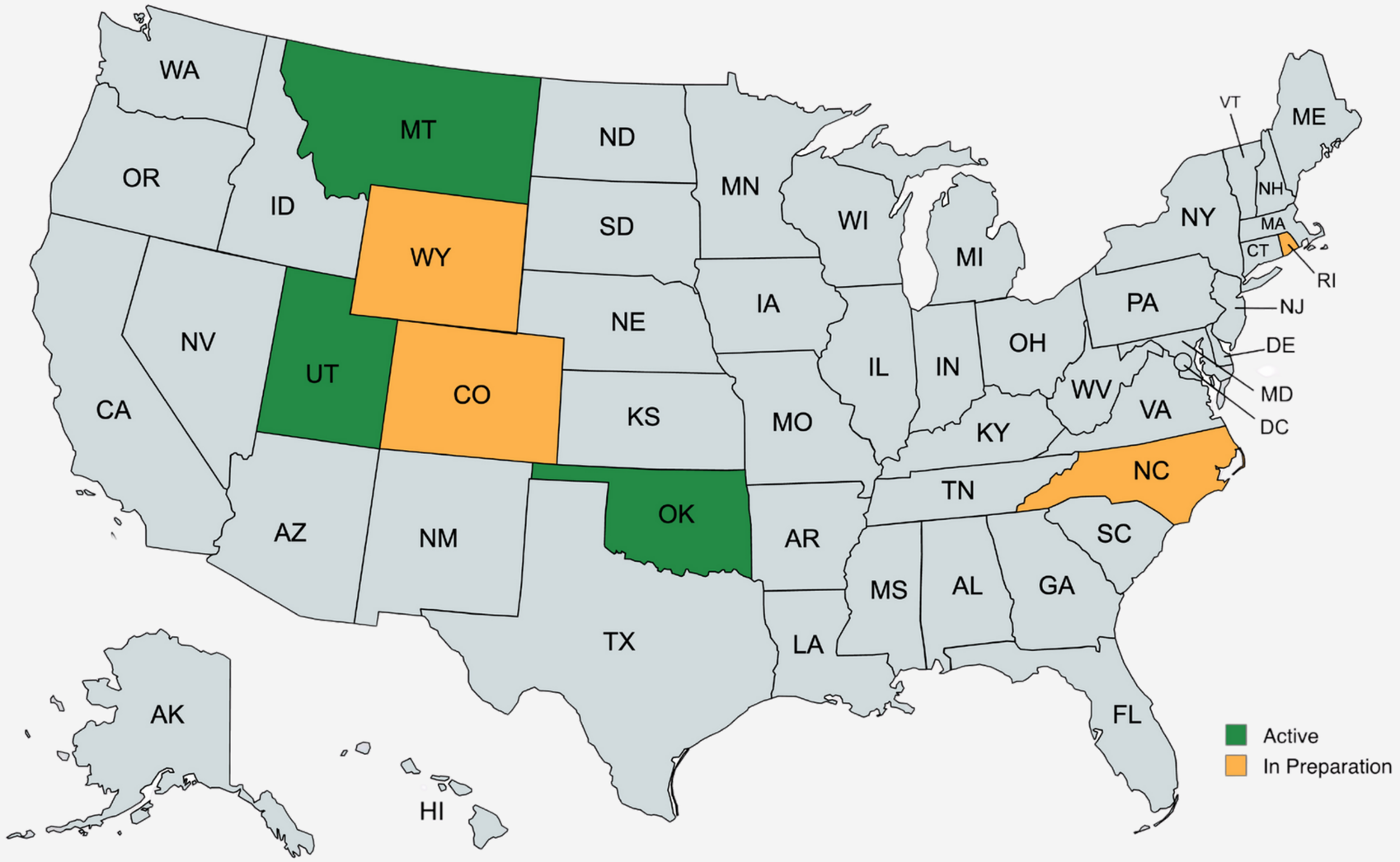

VR Leadership from six states
Contracted Provider Input
Parents and Youth
Research
TRT

Created with Students and Providers in Mind

- All items are written at or below the 4th-grade reading level
- Alternative Administration
  - Independently
  - With support
  - By a trusted observer
- Very brief
  - Typically requiring just a few minutes to complete

CURRENT USERS



- Colorado
- Montana
- North Carolina
- Oklahoma
- Rhode Island
- Utah
- Wyoming

WIOA did not tell us what to change, only what to provide.

Providing a service without knowing what we are trying to change is like choosing the best route for a road trip before determining a destination.

Development Produced Clarity

- What is each core service?
- What are the essential services under each core service?
- How is each core service different from the others?
- What can be expected to change as a result of each service?

What is the Transition Readiness Toolkit?

A collection of ten assessment tools closely mapped with the five core Pre-ETS.

An online software program that offers real-time data and visual representations.

A simple and accessible mechanism designed for seamless improvement.

Core Services
Job Exploration
Work-Based Learning
Self-Advocacy
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Workplace Readiness Training (see next column)

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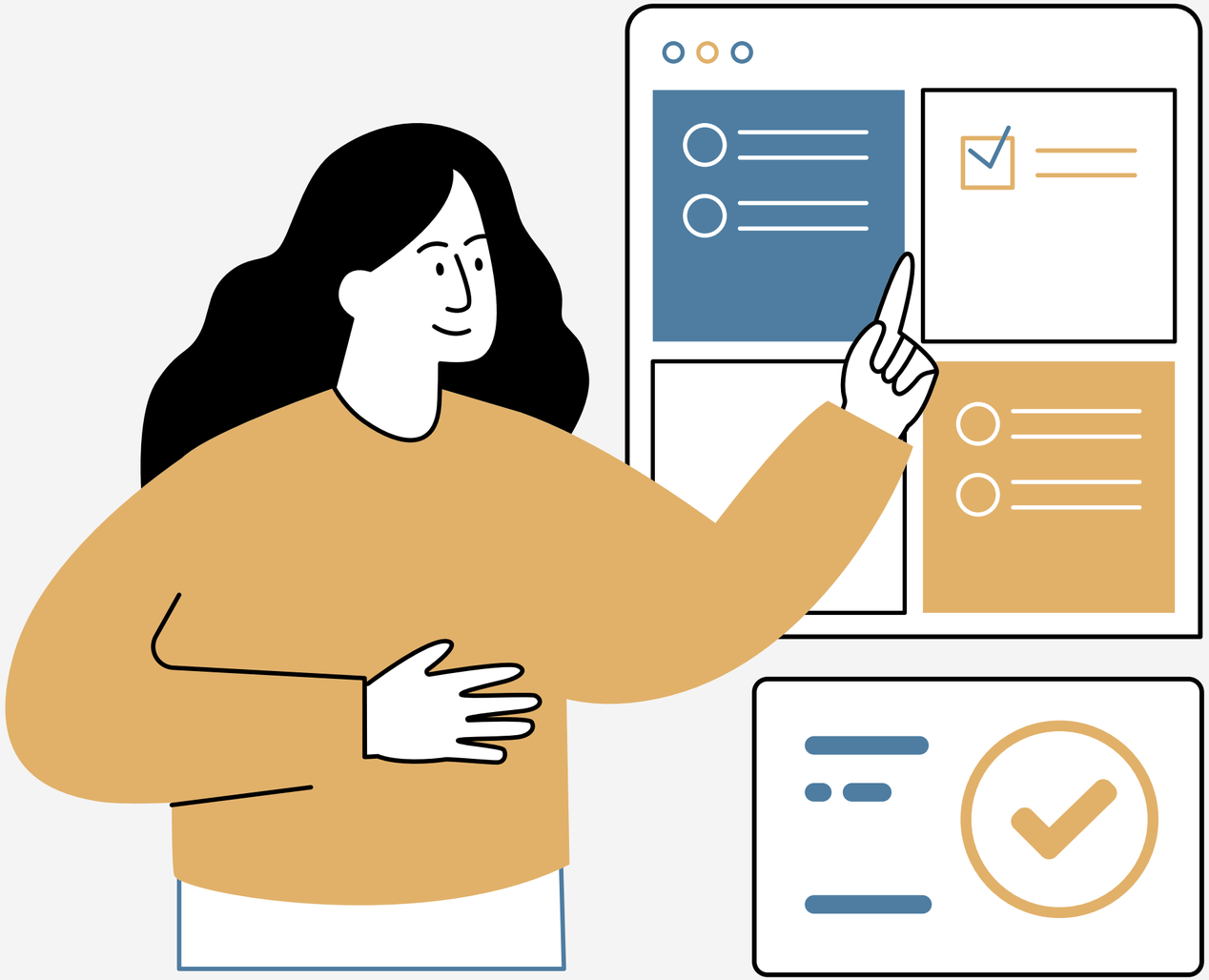
Workplace Readiness Training
Communication and Social Skills
Employability
Financial Literacy
Independent Living, Orientation, and Mobility
Job Seeking

Administration Methods

1. Enter responses directly into the TRT Software via the website.
2. Use the Paper-and-Pencil Version for later entry into the TRT Software.
3. Coming in 2024:
   Use the TRT app.

To date, over 16,000 student assessments have been collected!

A quick look at the TRT software.



The Utah Experience

- Emphasis on growth and learning
- Creating buy-in with providers
- Using data to provide program guidance and monitoring

Benefits

- Facilitates Clear Recognition of Progress: Assists providers in identifying and acknowledging success and identifying “stackable” service opportunities.
- Offers Data-Driven Guidance: Equips Pre-ETS services with valuable data for informed decision-making.
- Supports Achievement of Measurable Postsecondary Goals: Serves as a valuable resource in IEP/IPE development and collaboration.
- Empowers Agencies in Curriculum Development: Provides agencies with the capability to pinpoint and adopt best practices effectively.

“The TRT has helped us better plan and prepare when serving students by providing a guideline of topics and areas of focus. It allows us to add new information to our curriculum to better serve our students and allows us to know which resources would be of benefit to each specific student. All services can be specific to the students' needs as they are taking the pre-assessments.”

- Operations manager for the largest Pre-ETS provider in Utah

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Thank you

Have any questions?

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