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Dear Colleagues: We are sharing this message from Chris Nelson who is leaving the role of California State Director to return to a local program. We will miss having Chris in our immediate network and wish him well at he returns to Oakland. We are pleased to welcome Dr. Carolyn Zachry as the new State Director.

Hello All,

I am writing to let you know that I will be leaving my position as California's State Director of Adult Education at the end of this month. Since I began over two years ago, we developed our State Unified WIOA plan, implemented a new Adult Education Program under the Adult Education Block Grant and begun providing better coordinated services within our state agencies including services to immigrants and adults in correctional facilities.

Dr. Carolyn Zachry will assume leadership on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Carolyn will come to her new role with solid Adult Education, ROP, and Perkins experiences at the county and state level. She has been with the California Department of Education since 2010, most recently overseeing California's Perkins Grant. I have full confidence that Carolyn will continue the great work that we have achieved with our Adult Education program in California.

I will be returning to the Oakland Unified School District with the Adult Education program that is the second oldest program in the state (1871). I can be reached at [christian.nelson@ousd.org](mailto:christian.nelson@ousd.org).

I have really enjoyed working with all of you these past few years in our work to reinvent Adult Education through WIOA. I am sure that your continued efforts will inspire me to continue working with adult learners in Oakland.

Chris

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