



Choice Solutions Launches the Education Community of Practice

An unrestricted environment where States and Local Education Entities can collaborate on their shared challenges regarding Educational Information System reform

August 12th, 2010: Boston, MA -- The Education Community Practice, powered by Choice Solutions Inc, launched Friday August 6th to bring State and Local Education Entities together within a single on/offline community where experiences, challenges, and opportunities regarding Educational Information System reform can be shared.

July 27th marked the preliminary kickoff event, over 30 stakeholders and industry experts met to discuss hot topics such as Dropout, Growth Model, and Education Portals for collaboration. Using the Community of Practice model, Choice aims to foster new ideas towards meeting the numerous shared goals within the Education Industry, exchange priceless information on what we have learned from our experiences, and most importantly bring new energy into the marketplace.

“This can be a powerful tool in which States and Local Education Entities can effectively share and collaborate. We’ve seen communities form over the years, but most have had a limited scope of subject matter to be discussed. We aim to break that mold by placing the power in the hands of the participants, with an open-topic format the Users will help shape the Community into what they want it to be.” Zach Tussing, Director of Business Development, Choice Solutions Inc.

Choice isn’t the only organization which perceives the value in the Community of Practice model when addressing the ambitious goals the US has for its Education System. Federal grant language, for both ARRA:SLDS and RTTT alike, speaks directly of the need to form cooperative agreements where best practices and useful lessons learned are disseminated through community partnerships.

“In working with 10 State Departments of Education and many more Local Education Agencies, we’ve observed numerous parallels in the challenges they each face and the demands they place on us to meet those challenges. The Education Community of Practice provides the open lines of communication necessary to support the type of collaboration this marketplace needs to ensure the wheel isn’t reinvented.” Srinivas Kallakurchi, President, Choice Solutions Inc.

The Education Community of Practice offers more than just a space to communicate. It also houses a library of documents, resources, and links pertaining to the various focus areas in Education Information System reform. Users also have free range to upload valuable items they’ve come across in their own work. What’s more, Users have access to the Community Calendar where they can view events posted by the Community Administration, or upload events of their own they wish to share.

For access to The Education Community of Practice contact the Community Administration Team at cop@choicep20.com and request access - all are welcome.



About Choice Solutions Inc.

Choice Solutions is an end-to-end global Enterprise IT Service and Solutions provider focusing on answers for Education that meet the needs of today while planning for the challenges of tomorrow.

Founded with a vision of partnering State and Local Agencies, Choice Solutions offers a holistic approach to moving and delivering Education information and services to the proper stakeholders.

Choice Solutions boasts over 10 years of Education information systems experience in local, state, and federal arenas, and has grown this company as the premier leader when the need for enterprise caliber implementations and services arise. Engaged with over 10 state departments of Education and countless districts and regions, Choice Solutions and its national group of strategic partners bring the knowledge, passion, and skills essential to drive success in the business of teaching and learning. Visit www.ChoiceP20.com today to learn more.