

# **Professional Development Guide**

## **Topic: Correctional and Reentry Education**

This LINCS Professional Development Guide for Correctional and Reentry Education shares evidence-based professional development opportunities available through the Literacy Information and Communication System (LINCS) for instructors, program administrators, professional developers, state staff, and more. LINCS is a national leadership initiative of the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education (OCTAE), which seeks to expand evidence-based practice in adult education.



## **LINCS Community**

The <u>LINCS Community</u> provides adult educators with opportunities to ask questions, learn from peers, share expertise, and attend virtual live events presented by experts in the field. The 13 moderated online Community groups focus on core professional development topics, and the corresponding group for this topic is listed below. Instructions on how to join a group are on each group's home page. Join and subscribe to notifications today!

Link to Join	Target Audience
Correctional and Reentry Education Group*	Adult education practitioners, researchers, and policymakers

<sup>\*</sup>A LINCS account is required to join, and to post and reply in discussions. Certificates of attendance are provided for live events.



#### **LINCS Learner Center**

The <u>LINCS Learner Center</u> provides adult learners with free online resources on reading, math, science, English, job skills, citizenship, health, and more. Resources on this particular topic that instructors can share with their adult learners are below.

Resources to Explore	Target Audience
Refer learners to the <u>Get Job Skills</u> section of the Learner Center to help them understand the skills and credentials needed for different jobs, or to find a job and grow their careers.	Adult learners, instructors



#### **LINCS Resource Collection**

The <u>LINCS Resource Collection</u> provides high-quality, evidence-based instructional resources for use by adult educators. Search the collection by category, keyword, or date to generate a list of resources by publication date. For resources on the topic, go to the <u>collection for</u> Correctional and Reentry Education. The following are selected resources to get started.

Selected Resources	Target Audience	
Beyond the Box 2023	Program administrators, instructors, policymakers	
Building the Technology Ecosystem for Correctional Education: Brief and Discussion Guide	Program administrators and others	
COABE Journal - Prison Literacy Edition	Instructors, program administrators, professional developers, and others	
Integrated Education and Training (IET) in Corrections: A Companion Guide to the IET  Design Toolkit	Program administrators, instructors, policymakers	
Integrated Education and Training Design Toolkit and Train-the-Trainer Resources	Instructors, program administrators, and others	
Investing in Futures: Economic and Fiscal Benefits of Postsecondary Education in Prison	Program administrators and others	
Take Charge of Your Future: Get the Education and Training You Need	Instructors, adult learners, and others	



#### **LINCS State Resources**

LINCS offers facilitated <u>technical assistance and professional development opportunities</u> directly to states by request. Monthly "universal" technical assistance webinars also are offered to all state staff and programs on various topics, with recordings available on the <u>LINCS\_ED YouTube channel</u>. Use <u>the State Technical Assistance Request form</u> to request <u>training</u> on the topic below or any topic in the <u>LINCS training catalog</u>.

State Training Available by Request	Time	Mode
Reentry Education Tool Kit	1–3 hours	Virtual or in person

### **LINCS Federal Initiatives**

LINCS provides information on <u>federally funded technical assistance initiatives</u> in adult education. The federal initiatives related to this topic are listed below.

#### **Federal Initiatives in Adult Education**

- Integrated Education and Training in Corrections
- Reentry Education Tool Kit