

2025 Workforce Summit

AGENDA

WELCOME SESSION & DIVISION OVERVIEWS

1:00 – 1:10

Welcome | Shelika Hooker
Director of Grants Management

1:10 – 2:10

Setting the Vision | Courtney Taylor
Executive Director, AccelerateMS

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DIVISION PRESENTATIONS

2:25 – 2:45

Data & Insights | Cliff Thames
Director of Data and Insights

2:45 – 3:05

Workforce Innovation | Blaise King
Director of Workforce Innovation

3:05 – 3:25

Communications | Daniel Hawthorne
Communications Manager

3:25 – 4:00

Grants Management | Shelika Hooker
Director of Grants Management

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POLICY UPDATES, SYSTEMS OVERVIEW, AND PARTNER ENGAGEMENT

8:00 – 8:50 **BREAKFAST / NETWORKING**

8:50 – 9:10 **Talent Solutions**

Trey Smith

Director of Talent Solutions

9:10 – 10:15 **Strategic Framework**

Shelika Hooker

Director of Grants Management

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10:30 – 11:00 **NSPARC – New System Launch**

Jon Hochberg

Assistant director of data, NSPARC, MSU

11:00 – 11:30 **MDES Reimbursements**

Vincent Steiner

Accounting Supervisor, Office of Comptroller

11:30 – 12:00 **Trace Advisory – Audit Insights**

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12:00 – 1:30 **Lunch & Coordinator Roundtables**

Coordinators will be available for any questions/discussions