

**Agenda**  
**Non-traditional Strand**  
**February 25 & 26, 2008**  
**Connecting Education & Employment Conference**

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**Monday**

<b>2:15-2:45</b>	Welcome and Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rita Johnson—Kansas State Perkins Plan</li><li>• Carolyn Olson—Kansas NTO</li></ul>
<b>2:45-3:30</b>	A Rationale for a Renewed Focus on NTO: Why We Are Still Talking About Non-Traditional Occupations <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Perkins IV</li><li>• Enhancing Academic Achievement</li><li>• Our Competitive World</li></ul>
<b>3:30-4:00</b>	Afternoon Break
<b>4:00-5:00</b>	Continued Rationale for Renewed Focus <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Equal Pay, Equal Work</li><li>• Status of NTO Pipeline in 2008</li></ul>

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**Tuesday**

<b>9:15-11:45</b>	Illinois and National Response to Need for Renewed Focus on NTO <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Faces of the NTO Look</li><li>• The Benefits of a Comprehensive Program Improvement Model</li><li>• Overview of the NTO Look</li><li>• Examples of Illinois and National Application of Comprehensive Program Improvement Model</li></ul>
<b>1:15-3:00</b>	Applying the Program Improvement Model at Local Sites Using Local Data or Case Study <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Partner</li><li>• Self-Assessment</li><li>• Research and Select Effective Practices</li></ul>
<b>3:00-3:30</b>	Cheesecake Break
<b>3:30-5:00</b>	Applying the Program Improvement Model at Local Sites Using Local Data or Case Study (Continued) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Set Goals</li><li>• Evaluate</li></ul> Closing presentation Evaluation of session

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