

Connecticut Manufacturers' Collaborative

Representing 1200 manufacturing companies with tens of thousands of employees throughout Connecticut



NEW Manufacturing Center

A new manufacturing technology center offering a two-semester certificate program has opened at Western Connecticut State University (WCSU) in Danbury. Day and weekend cohorts are planned for a potential of up to 72 graduates per year. Each student can earn an OSHA 10 Certificate and National Institute for Metal Working Skills nationally recognized credential in two semesters. To read more about the Center, click [here](#).



NEW CT Chief Mfg Officer

Governor Ned Lamont has appointed appointing Paul Lavoie to serve as Connecticut's chief manufacturing officer, a position that is responsible for coordinating state and private-sector efforts on behalf of the administration to promote growth in the state's manufacturing sector.

Lavoie says, "I look forward to continuing to build on the foundation created by Colin and working with all manufacturing stakeholders to grow the manufacturing sector. We will continue to engage, educate and enable our manufacturers to take advantage of the market opportunities, grow their businesses and solidify Connecticut's reputation as the Silicon Valley of Advanced Manufacturing." More information can be found [here](#).



Career Trends in Advanced Mfg

The National Center for Next Generation Manufacturing is excited to announce the 2022 Webinar Series for Educators! The series will discuss careers and trends in several manufacturing technologies.

- Mechatronics - 2/25/22
- Welding - 3/18/22
- Lasers - 4/22/22
- Industry 4.0 - 5/20/22

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

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Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion February 23rd: 11 AM - 1:30 PM Zoom Event

Join us for a conversation about 'Promoting Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion: Building a Diverse Manufacturing Pipeline'. Our panel will share information on the following topics:

- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Strategic planning
- Organizational culture and communities within Manufacturing
- Recruitment and Retention strategies
- Network resources available to Manufacturers

For more information and to register, click [here](#).



Innovative Companies in Israel

Governor Ned Lamont today announced that he will join representatives from Connecticut's public and private sectors on an economic development mission in Israel later this month focused on strengthening connections between the state and members of Israel's innovation ecosystem. "Part of growing Connecticut's innovation ecosystem includes adding diverse businesses from all around the world," Governor Lamont said. "Israel continues to lead the way in innovation and has one of the strongest economies in the world to back it up. This is an opportunity for Connecticut to strengthen its ties with Israel and provide these innovative companies with an option for any U.S. expansion." To read more, click [here](#).



Industry 4.0 Roadmap

March 10th: 12 PM - 1 PM

Zoom Workshop

Not sure where to start when it comes to digital transformation in your factory? Hear directly from experts and manufacturers who went through the process and began their digital journey. Register [here](#).

What is an RSP???

March 24th: 12 PM - 1 PM

Zoom Event

Find out how Manufacturing Regional Sector Partnerships in CT can positively impact the state. Hear directly from the manufacturers who are actively involved in each region. Register [here](#).



Plant Tour

March 8th: 4:30 PM - 7 PM

Precision Punch & Tooling

304 Christian Lane, Berlin, CT

Following the plant tour, join us for a chance to network with colleagues at the following location:

Sliders Grill & Bar

197 Episcopal Road, Berlin, CT

Register [here](#).



Cybersecurity

March 8th: 8 AM - 9:30 AM

Zoom Event

Not sure where to start when it comes to cybersecurity? Join us for a virtual meeting with CT Attorney General William Tong on Cybersecurity in CT and for your Company. Register [here](#).



Educator Series

Many association members participate in both community college and technical high school advisory boards - you might consider sharing this with your board. CCAT and NCNGM has developed a new training series: People, Pathways, and Technology for the Future Manufacturing Workforce - A Professional Development Series for Educators. This 3 part series will focus on increasing awareness of Manufacturing careers for all students, with a particular focus on increasing access and engaging those underrepresented in STEM fields. The first webinar will focus on people and you will hear firsthand from women in manufacturing leadership roles about growth in Connecticut companies. To register, click [here](#).



Spring Design Webinar

March 24th: 1 PM - 5 PM

GoTo Meeting

The Spring Manufacturers Institute will offer our spring design training webinar for springs - Dimensioning, Tolerancing and Testing. This is the first offering of SMI's Spring Design 304 Springs - Dimensioning, Tolerancing and Testing class. The course will build upon the principles taught in the basic courses, 201 Compression Spring Design, 202 Extension Spring Design, and 203 Torsion Spring Design. For more information and to register, click [here](#).



Safety & Health Conference

April 8th: 8 AM - 3:30 PM

Virtual & In-Person

Farmington Gardens

999 Farmington Ave

Farmington, CT 06032

Join us at this year's conference to learn about the legal and operational challenges of federal vaccine mandates, ensuring safe operations of powered access devices, and the continuing dangers of NFPA 70E. Top OSHA and CONN-OSHA officials in the region and state share their insights on safety in Connecticut, including assessments of the region's most challenging enforcement and compliance issues. You'll also take away practical information on how to make the partnership between safety and HR work effectively for your company as well as how to keep your safety committee relevant. Register [here](#).