



Completion Strategies

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State Policy to Increase Higher Education Attainment



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Lumina's vehicle for higher education system change

Open platform for leaders and influencers in all 50 states to share research and data, encourage peer learning and professional experiences to advance Goal 2025.

Strategy Labs Resources



Non-Partisan, Evidence-Based
Policy Expertise



Convening and Facilitation



Advising Policymakers



Research





60%

of adults with high quality degrees
or credentials by the year 2025

Communicating Why...



State Policy Agenda



**Improve Student
Outcomes**



**Align
Investments**



**Create Smarter
Pathways**

Set an Ambitious Attainment Goal

- ✓ *Quantifiable*
- ✓ *Challenging*
- ✓ *Long-term*
- ✓ *Addresses Gaps*
- ✓ *Statute and/or Strategic Plan*

State Attainment Goals

- ✓ **Oregon: 40-40-20**
- ✓ **Tennessee: Drive to 55**
- ✓ **Kansas: Foresight 2020**

Missouri's Big Goal:

Increase the percentage of working age adults with a degree or high quality certificate to 60 percent of the population by 2025

IMPROVE STUDENT OUTCOMES



- **Develop a Statewide Plan**
 - ✓ Indiana's Reaching Higher, Achieving More
- **Create a Comprehensive Data and Information System**
 - ✓ Kentucky's Center for Education and Workforce
- **Adopt Accountability Metrics/Dashboards**
 - ✓ Illinois' Public Agenda for College and Career Success

IMPROVE STUDENT OUTCOMES



- **Support Efforts to Define Learning Outcomes**

- ✓ Degree Qualifications Profile (200 institutions in 44 states participating)

- **Create User-Friendly Tools**

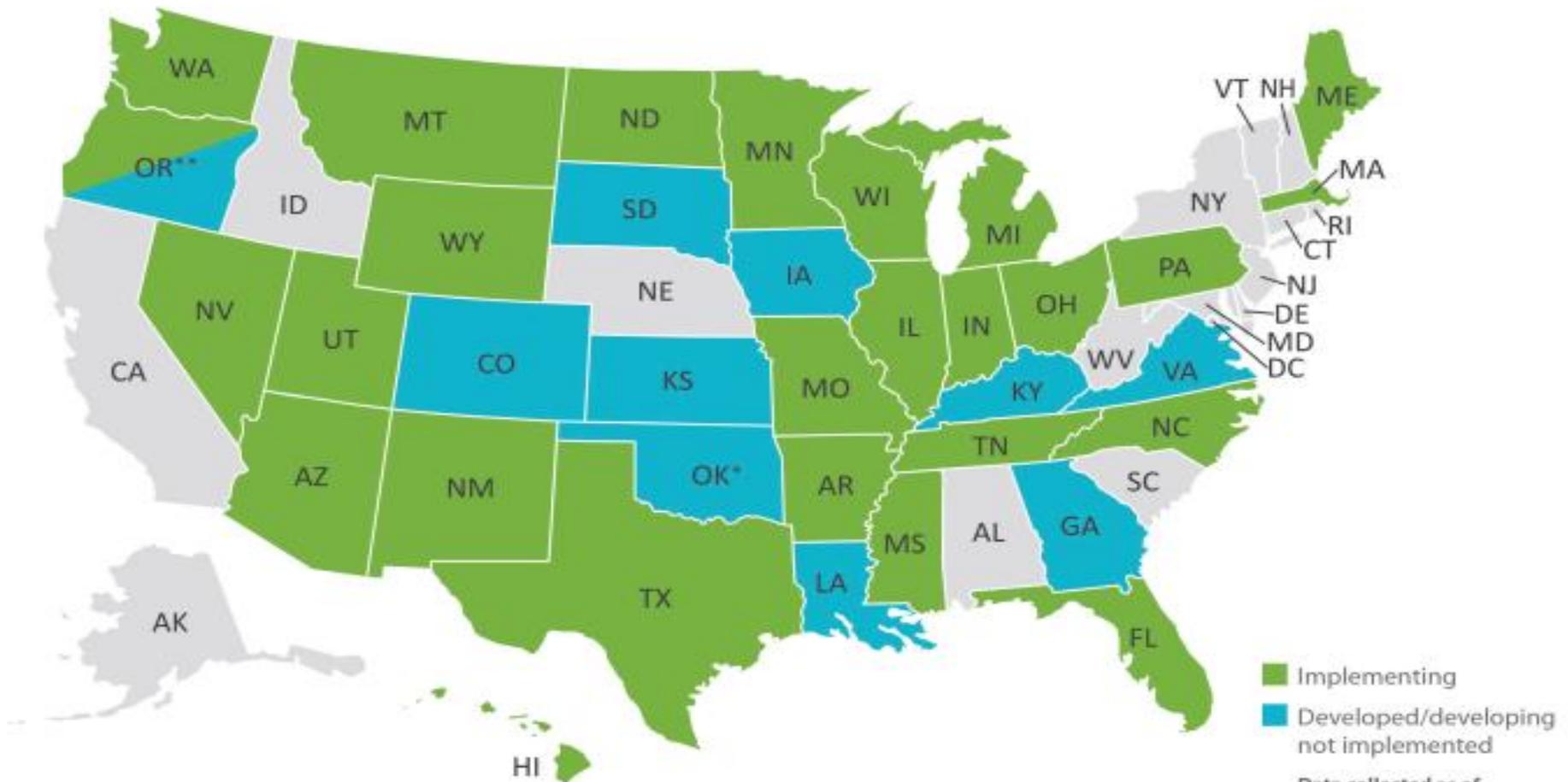
- ✓ Colorado's Economic Success Indicators

ALIGN INVESTMENTS



- **Implement Outcomes-Based Funding**

FIGURE 1. Outcomes-Based Funding in States in FY 15



* Oklahoma implemented OBF as a bonus in FY 14 but did not appropriate bonus funds in FY 15.

** Oregon is both developing and implementing.

■ Implementing
 ■ Developed/developing not implemented
 Data collected as of December 2014

ALIGN INVESTMENTS



- **Provide or Encourage Lower-cost Pathways**
 - ✓ Arizona's 3+1 Model

- **Comprehensive State Aid**
 - ✓ Indiana's 21st Century Scholar Program

- **FT Enrollment and Progression**
 - ✓ Hawaii's 15 to Finish Program

CREATE SMARTER PATHWAYS



- **Guided Pathways**
 - ✓ Georgia State University
- **Transfer Agreements**
 - ✓ Colorado's statewide reverse transfer policy
- **Credit Hour Limits**
 - ✓ Texas 120-credit-hour cap on bachelor's degree requirements
- **Prior Learning Assessment**
 - ✓ Ohio's PLA with a Purpose

CREATE SMARTER PATHWAYS



- **Competency-Based Education**
 - ✓ Kentucky's Learn on Demand
- **State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA)**
 - ✓ There are at least 24 states that are in SARA
- **Statewide Programs for Adults with Some College No Degree**
 - ✓ Oklahoma's Reach Higher

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