



2026 Aligning Data, Practice & Leadership to Intentionally SERVE Institute

Purpose

Institute offers institutional teams a cohort-driven and interactive engagement to align institutional data, evidence-based practices, and leadership strategies that results in students' educational success. Thus, **pre-requisites for this Institute are:** 1) previous participation in Data and/or Evidence-Based Practices Institutes and 2) previous completion of an *Excelencia* self-assessment (SSITA, Seal Application).

Excelencia established the Seal of *Excelencia*, a rigorous, student-centered data-informed certification framework, that requires colleges and universities show momentum leading to continuous improvement in student completion and institutional outcomes. Institutions in pursuit of the Seal of *Excelencia* certification are expected to demonstrate intentional alignment between data, practice, and leadership.

Overview

Date: Consists of **three virtual modules** over 3 consecutive Wednesdays in September

- **September 15, 1:00pm-5:00pm ET**
 - Interactive Session 1 + Session Activity
 - Interactive Session 2 + Session Activity
 - Tactical Planning Team Time
 - Cohort Sharing & Learning
- **September 22, 1:00pm-5:00pm ET**
 - Interactive Session 3 + Session Activity
 - Interactive Session 4 + Session Activity
 - Tactical Planning Team Time
 - Cohort Sharing & Learning
- **September 29, 1:00pm-5:00pm ET**
 - Interactive Session 5 + Session Activity
 - Interactive Session 6 + Session Activity
 - Tactical Planning Team Time
 - Cohort Sharing & Learning

The Institute offers institutional teams **18 hours of capacity building** during the Institute (12 hours) and 3 virtual follow-up sessions (6 hours) to:

- Learn different approaches, models, and tools to support the alignment of data, evidence-based practices, and leadership strategies across units and departments for continuous improvement;
- Self-assess level of alignment across the institution to help move beyond isolated, disconnected programming towards systemic change;
- Learn from Seal of *Excelencia* certified institutions about their experiences with aligning data, evidence-based practices, and leadership strategies in their journey toward institutional excellence.

Registration Information & Fee

- Registration deadline: **Wednesday, August 19 at 5:00PM ET**
- \$5,000 per team of 5 members which includes 3 virtual modules (12 hours) plus 3 virtual follow-up sessions at the 3-month, 6-month, and 12-month milestones (6 hours) for a total of 18 hours of *Excelencia* capacity building.
- **This registration fee needs to be paid prior to attending the Institute.**
- Intake form can be accessed [here](#). The intake form should take less than 15 minutes to complete.
 - A PDF of the intake form can be accessed [here](#).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact us at InstCapacity@EdExcelencia.org.