



## Industry Intermediary

American Institutes for Research (AIR)

## Industry

**Information Technology (IT)**

## Approved Occupations

Cybersecurity Support Technician, Data Analyst, Network Support Specialist, Tech Project Coordinator, and Tech Support Specialist.

## Target Registered Apprentice Populations

Individuals with Disabilities, People of Color, and Women.

## Project Overview

Leveraging CompTIA's industry-recognized certifications, AIR has established National Guideline Standards for five IT occupations, and CompTIA has also registered National Program Standards for these occupations. The standards help businesses streamline and accelerate the design of Registered Apprenticeship (RA) programs. This project is also increasing opportunities and pathways to employment for populations traditionally underrepresented in the IT industry today.

In addition to working directly with employers, AIR has established a network of partners, including education and training providers, workforce organizations, business member organizations, institutions of higher education, and non-profit and philanthropic organizations. AIR has developed an Apprenticeship Accelerator Framework to provide technical assistance to each of these types of partners in a cohort delivery model.

## Types of Services or Technical Assistance (TA) Provided

- Conduct broad outreach to raise awareness about apprenticeship as a talent solution for IT
- Engage targeted businesses and industry partners to consider and adopt RA
- Leverage resources to support partners in their efforts to design, build, and run RAs
- Assist in the recruitment of apprentices
- Provide channel partners with the training, tools, and strategies necessary to grow their talent pipeline
- Support businesses with effective strategies and sound Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) practices to diversify the technology talent pipeline

## Key Partners

- CompTIA

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<https://www.comptia.org/content/lp/apprenticeships-for-tech>