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Christine Quinn was appointed as the Regional Administrator of Region 5 - Chicago, US Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, on November 29, 2015. She provides leadership to ten states in America's heartland in designing and oversight of Workforce Systems for employers, youth, and adults - with a focus on customer satisfaction, continuous improvement, and effective and efficient management of resources.

Prior to her appointment Quinn was Director of the Michigan Workforce Development Agency overseeing the staff and programs, including the state's workforce initiatives, adult education, the Veterans' Services Division, and programs related to migrant and seasonal workers. Over two years she was successful in obtaining \$30 million to fund the Skilled Trades Training Fund,

providing competitive awards for the development and implementation of employer responsive training that enhances talent incomes, productivity, and employment retention, while increasing the quality and competitiveness of Michigan's businesses. The STTF program will ensure Michigan's employers have access to the talent pipeline they need to compete and grow, and participants have the skills they need for in-demand jobs. This program is meant to create and expand collaboration between the Local workforce boards, economic development, and educational agencies by funding demand-driven training that addresses talent shortages hampering the growth of Michigan's priority industries.

Quinn previously served as President of South Central Michigan Works!, a local workforce board. She earned national recognition for establishing business solutions processes within Michigan's workforce system, and for partnering with Michigan State University to create a curriculum leading to Business Solutions Professional certification. This remains a cornerstone for the systems demand driven approach to workforce/talent development.

Quinn served as Executive Director of the Clinton County Task Force on Employment, a nonprofit operating workforce programs. She has also held leadership positions at several Michigan advocacy and community organizations.

Quinn earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Ferris State University, and holds a number of specialized certifications in Balanced Scorecard, strategic planning and foresight, business services and workforce development. She was also a member of a number of economic and workforce development committees, organizations and associations across her career.