



## national network of state school improvement leaders

A joint initiative of the Council of Chief State School Officers and  
the Center on Innovation & Improvement  
<http://www.centerii.org/leaders/>

What is NNSIL? The National Network of State School Improvement Leaders (NNSIL) is a network of state leaders engaged in developing an evidence-based body of knowledge that can lead to accelerating sustainable school, district and state improvement to raise educational results for all learners.

What is the NNSIL mission? The mission of the National Network of State School Improvement Leaders is to provide collegial support among state leaders of school improvement to build, utilize and disseminate a robust body of knowledge of professional practices leading to systemic educational change.

Who belongs to the NNSIL? The NNSIL consists of at least one designated leader of school improvement efforts in each state education agency. In addition, the director of each of the sixteen Regional Comprehensive Centers is a *de facto* member of the Network to provide support for the utilization and dissemination activities of NNSIL. The Network coordinators, Dr. Susan Hanes, CII, and Nina de las Alas, CCSSO, invited eleven SEA representatives and five RCC staff members to serve as the NNSIL Design Team to advise on the priorities and needs of the states and to plan and facilitate Network activities.

What does the NNSIL do? To achieve its goal of providing continuous learning among members to lead a strong statewide system of support, NNSIL will provide the means for disseminating and sharing cutting edge ideas with demonstrated evidence of effectiveness. Methods will include face-to-face meetings, regular webinars on hot topics, monthly communication, and collaboration with other educational improvement organizations such as the American Association of School Administrators, National Association of State Boards of Education, and the National Governors Association. NNSIL intends to facilitate direct communication with the U. S. Department of Education on topics of importance to the Network.

For more information about the Network, follow this link: <http://www.centerii.org/leaders/>



## Design Team of the National Network of State School Improvement Leaders

The Design Team is the steering committee of the Network, which is composed of 60 state education agency and regional comprehensive center representatives. The Design Team, comprised of representatives from 11 SEAs, five regional comprehensive centers and the two partners, serves as a smaller forum for discussion and continuous learning as well as a planning group and sounding board for the larger Network body.

Contact the representatives from the Regional Comprehensive Centers who serve on the Design Team to offer your recommendations for the Network:

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