MASSACHUSETTS ADULT EDUCATION STANDARDS FOR HIGH QUALITY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (HQPD)

HQPD provides coherent learning experiences that are systematic, purposeful, and structured over a sustained period of time with the goal of improving educator practice and student outcomes.

HQPD is designed for adult educators

- Professional learning recognizes and responds to the range of adult educators’ experiences and the diverse needs of adult learners.
- Presenters model good andragogical practice and apply knowledge of adult learning theory.
- Sessions connect and build upon each other to provide a coherent and useful learning experience.
- Opportunities to collaborate and share ideas advance educators’ ability to apply learning in their own context.

HQPD is based on student-centered, data-driven goals and objectives

- Goals and objectives are relevant to desired student outcomes and the change in educator practice that is needed to meet those outcomes.
- HQPD aligns with state, program, and educator goals and priorities.
- Data, research, standards, and resources relevant to the goals, objectives, and audience inform design and delivery.
- Presenters are highly knowledgeable content experts.
- Assessment ensures HQPD meets its goals and objectives.

Massachusetts adult education standards for HQPD: doe.mass.edu/acls/pd/