

## Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) has been exploring and developing an evidence-based approach to grant making

### Texas wanted to:

- Provide additional points in applications to programs which are evidence-based and have evidence of effectiveness.
- Increase the evidence base for TWC programs.
- Evaluate the given evidence of proposals.
- Increase the understanding of evidence.

### Texas used CLEAR to:

- **Evaluate** studies that applicants plan to replicate using similar studies already reviewed and rated in CLEAR.
- **Aid** the original development of requests for application.
- **Discover** gaps in research and grant making areas.

### DOL's Clearinghouse for Labor Evaluation and Research (CLEAR) provided Texas with:

- Something that was very user-friendly.
- Something that was easy to understand.
- Something that people could use and review and access quickly.

“I think one of the things that I really liked about CLEAR was that it was very easy to quickly make a decision about whether a study had what you want... It's the cross referencing and the breadth of data, but also just the fact that it's presented in these little bite-sized chunks that I can quickly interpret.”



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