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# Everyone is Responsible for Program Quality, So Who's Accountable? A Look at State Approaches to Quality Assurance Nationally and in the MHEC Region



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NACEP is the first and only national organization supporting **programs**, **practitioners**, and **policy**, to advance quality concurrent and dual enrollment programs.

# Supporting Program Quality in all 50 States

Filling Policy Gaps

Aligning Policy & Practice

Functional Solutions & Technical Assistance

External Accountability

# How We Got Here



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Does your  
state have  
a vision that  
includes  
quality?





## Quality: Traditional State Approaches

- Policy, procedures, guidance
- Training and Resources
- Monitoring & reporting data
- Requiring state authorization for programs
- State run quality assurance assessment
- Quality assurance through NACEP program accreditation





# NACEP Program Quality Framework Areas & Accreditation Standards

- Partnership
  - Commitment to partnership
  - Ongoing Collaboration
- Faculty
  - Instructor Parity
  - Instructor training
  - Annual discipline-specific professional development
  - Policy Administration
- Assessment
  - Parity in standards and assessment
- Curriculum
  - Course Parity
  - Content Parity
  - Faculty Site Visits
- Students
  - Enrollment parity
  - Prerequisite parity
  - Student Advising
  - Student support and resources
- Program Evaluation
  - Course evaluation
  - Program evaluation

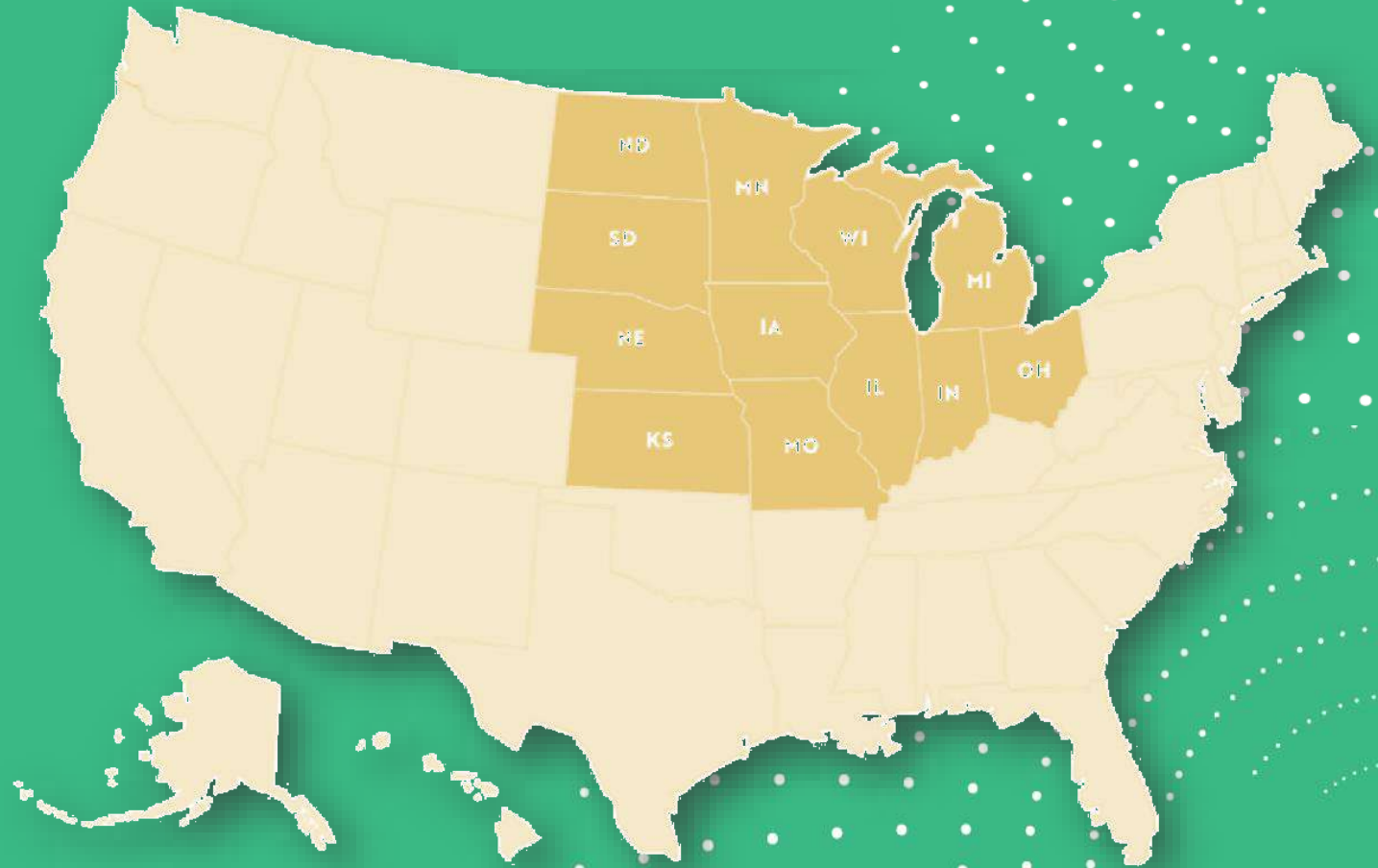
# NACEP in MHEC State Policy

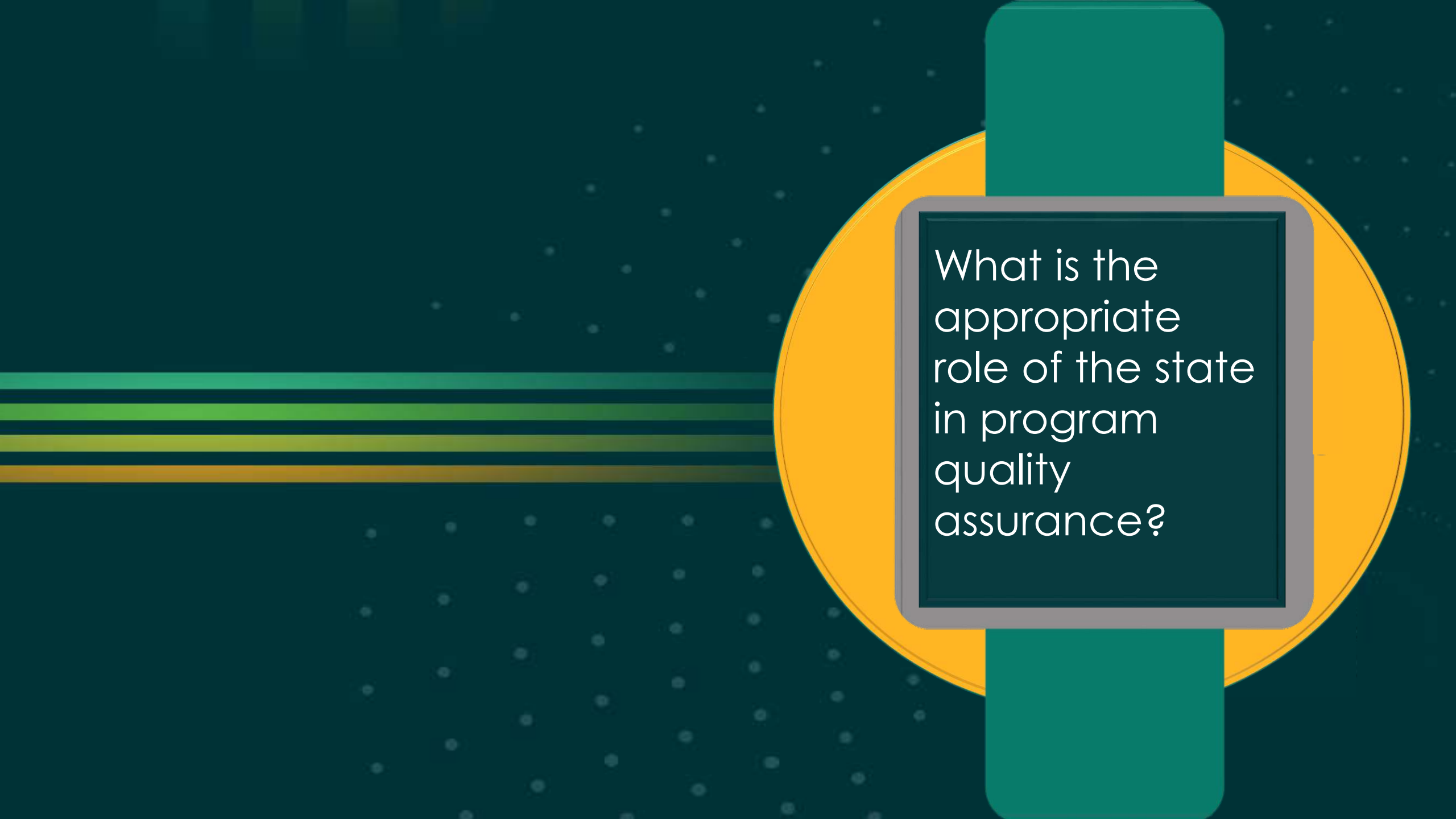
NACEP Accreditation Required,  
Incentivized, or Encouraged

- Indiana
- Minnesota
- Iowa
- Missouri
- South Dakota

Partial Agreement with  
NACEP Standards

- Ohio
- Illinois
- North Dakota
- Nebraska
- Kansas





What is the  
appropriate  
role of the state  
in program  
quality  
assurance?



# Cornerstones of Quality-Focused Policy



# Quality-Focused Policy Adds to a State Vision

## Quality Cornerstones

- Define quality 
- Expect quality 
- Empower quality 
- Monitor quality 

## Role in Supporting State's Vision

- Adds focus
- Ties all work to quality
- Enables work towards the state's vision via ownership, coordination, capacity, guidance, and incentives
- Adds accountability to the vision

# A Quality Focus Increases Clarity

## Shift from...

- Offer Concurrent Enrollment
- Who's definition of quality
- Ensuring quality is program responsibility, programs can figure it out
- Set and forget

## To...

- Offer quality Concurrent Enrollment
- This is our definition of quality
- Enabling quality is a State responsibility, we must empower good practice
- Review and evaluate



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What questions do  
you have for us?



# THANK YOU!



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