We are very excited about your work with Adult Learners! We want to support your efforts and our collective students in every way possible. Please see below some reasons you might refer your teaching assistants to receive further assistance from a Reconnect Navigator.

- **Your employee needs assistance with costs outside of tuition and fees.**
  - Food/Housing Needs
  - Childcare Assistance
  - Transportation Needs
  - Technology Access/Needs
  - Textbook Assistance

*We partner with community agencies and state-supported programs to which we can directly connect students and walk them through identifying and applying for assistance for which they may qualify.*

- **Your employee has questions about the Tennessee Reconnect Grant.**
  - How to Apply
  - Eligibility Criteria and Maintaining Eligibility
  - Understanding Financial Aid Implications
  - Appeals Process

*We are happy to help students understand the application and award process, as well as supply reminders about how to receive and maintain grant funds and walk them through the appeals process if they lose eligibility.*

- **You would like to offer your employee an option for continued wrap-around support throughout their degree program to help with successful matriculation.**

*We are a one-stop shop for questions, information and connection to both campus and community partners as needed. We provide check-ins with students on a regular basis to help prevent and circumvent any barriers to their education. We are an asset to the student’s educational journey and are here to empower them to and through their college journey.*

**Encourage employees to work with a Navigator:**
They can complete the form via the link, [https://formstack.io/59794](https://formstack.io/59794), or by scanning the QR code below.

**Further needs, reach out to:**
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