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Mr. Fischer is executive director of the North Atlantic States Carpenters Training Fund (NASCTF), serving 2,500 apprentices in New England and New York State, excluding New York City. He has extensive experience both as a commercial and residential carpenter and nearly twenty years of experience as an educator, administrator and curriculum coordinator in public high schools and within NASCTF. Mr. Fischer has also worked with the Massachusetts Department of Education and Secondary Schools as a member of the assessment development committee. On the committee, he assists the department in the review and development of Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) test questions and scoring rubrics to assure alignment with the Massachusetts curriculum frameworks and MCAS performance standards. Mr. Fischer was an instructor with NASCTF for many years, with certifications to teach numerous areas within the program. He developed the curriculum currently being used by NASCTF and OSHA for ten- and 30-hour construction safety courses. Mr. Fischer holds a master of arts degree in technology education from Ball State University.