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| AATCA | Alaska Apprenticeship and Training Coordinators Association | Industry association |
| ABC | Associated Builders and Contractors | Industry association |
| ABE | Adult Basic Education | Federal/state education program in DOLWD |
| ADA | American with Disabilities Act | Federal law |
| ADAA | American with Disabilities Amendment Act of 2008 | Federal law amendment |
| ADEA | Age Discrimination Act of 1967 | Federal law |
| AFN | Alaska Federation of Natives | Alaska Native organization |
| AGC | Association of General Contractors | Industry association |
| AGIA | Alaska Gasline Inducement Act | State of Alaska, Gasline initiative |
| АНТВС | Alaska High-Tech Business Council | Industry/education partnership |
| AJB | Alaska's Job Bank | Online job listings and job seeker services |
| AJCN | Alaska Job Center Network | State of Alaska employment offices |
| AKCIS | Alaska Career Information System | Career information service |
| AKDOL | Alaska Department of Labor | State of Alaska department, now officially DOLWD |
| ALEXsys | Alaska Labor Exchange System | Online job matching service administered by ESD |
| ANCET | Alaska Native Coalition on Employment & Training | Alaska Native corporation/education/ industry agency |
| APIA | Aleutian/Pribilof Islands Association | Regional Alaska Native organization; ANCET member |
| APICC | Alaska Process Industry Careers Consortium | Industry partnership with education group |
| ARRA | American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 | Federal law |
| ASD | Anchorage School District | School district |
| ASET | Alaska Special Education & Training | |
| ASNA | Arctic Slope Native Association | Regional Alaska Native organization; ANCET member |

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| АТАР | Alaska Temporary Assistance Program | DPA program |
| ATC | Alaska Technical Center | Adult vocational training facility located in Kotzebue |
| AVCP | Association of Village Council Presidents | Regional Alaska Native organization; ANCET member |
| AVTEC | Alaska Vocational Technical Education Center | DLWD educational institute located in Seward |
| AWIB | Alaska Workforce Investment Board | State and Local Workforce Investment Act Board in Alaska |
| AWIO | Alaska Workforce Investment Office | DLWD office for administration of workforce investment funding (defunct) |
| AWP | Alaska Works Partnership | Industry group specializing in registered apprenticeships for construction trades |
| BBNA | Bristol Bay Native Association | Regional Alaska Native organization; ANCET member |
| BEC | Business Education Compact | Business/non-profit youth group |
| BIA | Bureau of Indian Affairs | Federal agency located in the US Department of the Interior |
| BOSWIB | Balance of State Workforce Investment Board | One of two LWIBs in Alaska (defunct) |
| Carl Perkins | Carl D. Perkins Vocation and Applied Technology Education Act | Federal |
| CARS | Centralized Applicant Referral System | State system |
| СВЈ | City & Borough of Juneau | Municipality |
| СВО | Community Based Organization | Private non-profit organization in workforce development |
| ССТНТА | Central Council Tlingit Haida Tribal Association | Regional Alaska Native organization; ANCET member |
| CDBG | Community Development Block Grants | Training activities funded by the federal Department of Commerce |
| CDF | Career Development Facilitator | Career counselor |
| CDS | Community Development Specialist | Job training field staff |

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| CEG | Customized Employment Grant | USDOL/ETA grant for training individuals with disabilities |
| CIRI | Cook Inlet Region, Inc. | Alaska Native corporation |
| CITC | Cook Inlet Tribal Council | Regional Alaska Native organization; ANCET member |
| CRA | College of Rural Alaska | Division of UAF |
| CRC | Career Readiness Certificate | Alaska Work Ready Certification |
| CRNA | Copper River Native Association | Regional Alaska Native organization; ANCET member |
| CSED | Child Support Enforcement Division | Located in the Alaska Department of Revenue |
| СТЕ | Career and Technical Education | Education |
| CWDP | Construction Workforce Development Plan | Coast Group |
| CWN | Commonwealth North | Alaska public policy group |
| DACUM | Developing a Curriculum | Education |
| DBP | Division of Business Partnerships | Located in Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development |
| DCCED | Alaska Department of Commerce, Community & Economic Development | State of Alaska department |
| DEED | Department of Education and Early Development | State of Alaska department |
| DFYS | Division of Family & Youth Services | Located in Alaska Department of Health and Social Services |
| DOLWD | Department of Labor and Workforce Development | State of Alaska department |
| DOLETA | Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor | Federal government department |
| DPA | Division of Public Assistance | Located in Alaska Department of Health and Social Services |
| DPN | Disability Program Navigator | Located in One Stop Centers |
| DTF | Denali Training Fund | Federally funded employment training program for rural Alaskans |
| DVOP | Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program | Fed employment/training for veterans |

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| DVR DWU | Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Dislocated Worker Unit | Located in Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development DBP staff responsible for administering |
| Dire | | dislocated workers training grants |
| EDA | Economic Development Administration | Federal Department of Commerce agency |
| EEO | Equal Employment Opportunity | Federal law |
| ESD | Employment Security Division | Located in Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development |
| ESL | English as a Second Language | English language program for non- native speakers |
| ESS | Employment Security Specialist | State employment security staff |
| ЕТА | Employment and Training Administration | Federal Department of Labor agency |
| ETP | Eligible Training Provider | An approved training entity on the state WIA vendor list |
| FBO | Faith Based Organization | Non-profit religious organization |
| FBP | Federal Bonding Program | Federal bonding administered by DLWD |
| FCJL | Federal Contractor Job Listing | List of federally contracted jobs, Title 38 USC |
| FCS | Family Centered Services | DPA program based on the Customized Employment Grant model |
| FICA | Federal Insurance Contributions Act (Social Security) | Federal |
| FLC | Foreign Labor Certification | Federal program administered by DOLWD |
| FLSA | Fair Labor Standards Act | Federal |
| FMLA | Family and Medical Leave Act | Federal |
| FNSB | Fairbanks Northstar Borough | State borough |
| FSET | Food Stamp Employment & Training Program | Federal food and nutrition public assistance program |
| HGJTI | High Growth Job Training Initiative | Federal grant for workforce development in high growth industries |

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| IAMCAREA | International Association of Machinists | Labor union |
| IDP | Individual Development Plan | Tool used by ESD case workers |
| IEP | Individual Employment Plan | Tool used by ESD case workers |
| ISC | Industry Skills Coalition | Skills-based training for industry |
| ITA | Individual Training Account | Employment training grant for individuals |
| ЈТРА | Job Training Partnership Act | Federal program - no longer in effect |
| KANA | Kodiak Area Native Association | Regional Alaska Native organization; ANCET member |
| КСС | King Career Center | Vocational training institute for high school students in ASD |
| КРС | Kenai Peninsula Campus | UAA satellite campus |
| LMI | Labor Market Information | Labor and workforce statistics |
| LVER | Local Veteran's Employment Representative | Employment/training vocational counselor for veterans |
| LWIB | Local Workforce Investment Board | Regional employer/agency/government board |
| MASST | Mature Alaskans Seeking Skills Training | State-run federal program for mature workers |
| MATSU | Matanuska-Susitna Region | Southcentral region of the State of Alaska |
| MYC | McLaughlin Youth Center | Private youth correctional center |
| MOA | Municipality of Anchorage | Municipality |
| МОА | Memorandum of Agreement | Document between department and an agency for services |
| MOU | Memorandum of Understanding | Document between department and an agency for services |
| NAA | National Apprenticeship Act | Federal Registration of Apprenticeship Programs |
| NAFTA | North American Foreign Trade Agreement | Federal |

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| NAWB | National Association of Workforce Boards | Board Association |
| NEG | National Emergency Grant | Federal funding for dislocated worker projects |
| NS | Nine Star Education Center | Private education and training entity |
| NVTI | National Veteran's Training Institute | Federal training institute |
| OA | Office of Apprenticeship | State Apprenticeship office located in DOLWD/DBP |
| OFCCP | Office of Federal Contract Compliance Program | Federal Department of Labor program |
| OJT | On the Job Training | Type of employment training |
| ONC | Orutsararmuit Native Council | Regional Alaska Native organization; ANCET member |
| PIC | Private Industry Council | Federal WIA |
| PICC | Private Industry Career Consortium | Local consortium |
| R&A | Research and Analysis | State of Alaska Department of Labor |
| RA | Registered Apprentice | Industry Standard for Apprenticeship participant |
| RAC | Regional Advisory Council | Regional representation to AWIB |
| RFA | Request for Applications | Announcement |
| RFP | Request for Proposals | Announcement |
| RTC | Regional Training Center | Training facility in a given region. |
| SBDC | Small Business Development Center | Federal program to encourage small business success |
| SCSEP | Senior Community Service Employment Program | Federal employment program now called MASST |
| SESP | State Energy Sector Partnership | Federal grant (green energy) |
| SIU | Seafarers International Union | Labor union |

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| SOA | State of Alaska | State government |
| STEP | State Employment & Training Program | Employment training program funded from employee UI contributions; administered by DBP |
| STO | State Travel Office | Office travel arrangements are made through |
| ТА | Travel Authorization | Document required for all travel |
| ТАА | Trade Adjustment Act | Federal legislation |
| TANF | Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | DPA program |
| ТАР | Transition Assistance program | Federal program |
| тсс | Tanana Chiefs Conference | Regional Alaska Native organization; ANCET member |
| TEGL | Training and Employment Guidance Letter | USDOL |
| TRA | Trade Readjustment Allowances | Federal program |
| TVC | Tanana Valley Campus | College of Rural Alaska (UAF) campus |
| Τνερ | Training and Vocational Education Program | Vocational education program funded from employee UI contributions |
| UA | University of Alaska | University of Alaska Statewide Administration |
| UAA | University of Alaska Anchorage | University of Alaska campus |
| UAF | University of Alaska Fairbanks | University of Alaska campus |
| UAS | University of Alaska Southeast | University of Alaska campus |
| UI | Unemployment Insurance | Located in Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development |
| USCRC | United States Civil Rights Center | Federal |
| USDOL | United States Department of Labor | Federal |
| VA | Veterans Administration | Federal agency |
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| VARO | Veterans Administration Regional Office | Federal VA office in region |
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| VEOA | Veteran Employment Opportunity Act | Federal legislation |
| VET | Veteran | Person who served in the US military |
| VR&E | Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Program | Federal Veteran's Administration program |
| WIA | Workforce Investment Act | Federal legislation |
| WIB | Workforce Investment Board | Workforce Investment Board |
| WIN | Worldwide Interactive Network | Work Keys |
| WIO | Workforce Investment Office | See AWIO |
| WICHE | Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education | Program to improve access to higher education and ensure student success |
| WIRED | Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development | Federal |
| WPRS | Worker Profiling and Re- employment Services | Federal program for UI claimants |
| WTW | Welfare-to-Work | DPA program for moving public assistance recipients to employment (defunct) |
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