Teacher Prep:
It must and can be fixed
What we look at

Selectivity of programs

What content is taught

Practice
Sneak Preview: Selectivity

20% of all teacher preparation programs have adequate standards for entry.
What teacher candidates learn about “Data and Assessment”

Institutions’ coverage of basic topics

- Virtually none
- Very limited
- Limited
- Partially adequate
- Adequate
Student teaching

Only 28\% institutions require the “cooperating teacher” to be an effective teacher.
Policy levers that have promise

• Strengthening the competition (alt cert routes)
• Testing for what matters
• Imposing higher admissions standards
• VAM (Linking student progress back to teachers’ institutions)
• Imposing requirements on student teaching programs
Untested (in the US), but promising levers

- Grading individual programs
- **Independent** inspections
- Performance funding through legislatures
- Capping the # of teaching licenses or regulating program size
The long policy road ahead: Selectivity

States can make it harder to get into an ed school.

- 1 test normed to college-bound population prior to admission
- 24 teacher only basic skills test prior to admission
- 27 teacher only basic skills test after admission
- 9 no test required
Promising progress: Elementary math

Do states measure new elementary teachers’ knowledge of math?

- Yes: 11 (Massachusetts plus 10 states that have adopted new Praxis Multiple Subjects test)
- Inadequate test: 38
- No: 2
Supply & Demand
Unchartered and very ripe territory

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Sources: BLS or state departments of labor (demand); Title II or ETS (supply)
NCTQ Teacher Prep Review

• Programs will be graded
• Grades will be published in *US News & World Report*
• Grades will be updated annually

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Where we’re headed next: Review 2.0
Kate Walsh
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