Why are we doing research for a new competency model?

It’s important to ensure that the competency model continues to be relevant for the field. Every five to seven years we conduct research to evaluate its relevancy and understand changes that may be necessary.

What’s the timeline?

Research began in late 2018 and is ongoing. A survey was deployed on January 3, 2019, and input from that survey will be used to inform the creation of the new model. The new model and accompanying study will be published in late 2019.

Who’s involved in the research?

We are gathering input from many individuals, including ATD chapter leaders, credential holders (APTD and CPLP), participants in ATD Education courses, ATD members, customers, and more.

How does the study affect the APTD and CPLP exams?

It’s too early to know how the exams will change based on the study. ATD and ATD CI will communicate any changes when information is available, which would be late 2019.

Where can I find out more information?

We will provide regular updates about the Competency Study. If you’d like to receive updates, please complete this form.

ATD will have a communications plan and materials available to share with chapters (and many other stakeholder groups) once the Competency Study is available later in 2019.