

# FAQ **Frequently Asked Questions**

## **What is CONNEX™ UTAH?**

**CONNEX™ UTAH** is a powerful new free online database tool developed by the UTAH-MEP Alliance in partnership with the Utah State Legislature. The tool allows manufacturers to connect with each other, increase business opportunities and be more easily discovered as suppliers. Additionally, firms can find alternate suppliers, explore production capabilities, and view their own supply chain visually.

**CONNEX™ UTAH** has the capability to highlight all of a company's assets, certifications, equipment, material types and other relevant industry information to help other manufacturers find them. It allows manufacturers to view and post requests for proposals (RFPs) and requests for surplus materials or equipment, as well as other unique needs posted by members to the platform. Register at [www.utah-mep.org/connex-utah](http://www.utah-mep.org/connex-utah) or for more information contact us at [support@utah-mep.org](mailto:support@utah-mep.org)

## **How do I gain access to the CONNEX™ UTAH supply chain tool?**

If you are an Utah manufacturer, contact the **CONNEX™ UTAH** Team ([support@utah-mep.org](mailto:support@utah-mep.org)) at the UTAH-MEP Alliance to request access to the platform. Then, go to <https://utah.mfgconnex.com> to log in with the credentials provided.

## **What is the cost for access to CONNEX™ UTAH?**

**CONNEX™ UTAH** is free of charge for manufacturers in Utah.

## **How can I use CONNEX™ UTAH to help me with supply chain needs?**

You can find alternate suppliers, view your supply chain visually, highlight risks within your supply chain looking at single supplier risk, financial risk, government blacklists, and other vulnerabilities, as well as finding Utah suppliers by searching the thousands of state manufacturers and filtering the results to match your needs.

## **Does CONNEX™ UTAH allow me to post business needs or find business opportunities in the state?**

Yes! You can post RFPs, RFQs, RFIs, surplus materials or equipment, and any other type you may need. In addition to the post on the **CONNEX™ UTAH** site, you can notify different groups of members within the platform, including all members, small businesses, educational institutions, or a custom list, as well as signing up for notifications for later posts from other users.

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## **How do I find Utah suppliers?**

Go to [www.utah.mfgconnex.com](http://www.utah.mfgconnex.com) to search thousands of Utah manufacturers and filter to just the right ones to meet your needs. If for any reason you are unable to find just the right supplier in Utah, don't worry, with **CONNEX™ UTAH** we can easily expand your search to a national database that will return suppliers that meet your search criteria.

## **I struggle to see the breadth and scope of my supply chain, what can I do?**

Never has it been easier to visually see your supply chain. Go to [www.utah.mfgconnex.com](http://www.utah.mfgconnex.com). You can view your supply chain in different ways and filter it to a view what is most helpful to you. All while it remains confidential to your organization.

## **Is there somewhere I can go to post needs or to find business opportunities for my manufacturing company?**

Go to [www.utah.mfgconnex.com](http://www.utah.mfgconnex.com). You can post RFPs, RFQs, RFIs, surplus materials or equipment, and any other type of need you might have. In addition to having your post on the site, you can also choose to notify all members of **CONNEX™ UTAH** or customize a list. You also can view and search others posts on the site and choose to be notified when there are new postings.

## **Where can I find alternate suppliers and accurately identify risks in my supply chain?**

At [www.utah.mfgconnex.com](http://www.utah.mfgconnex.com), you can search and find alternate suppliers or navigate to the supply chain visualization where you can visualize your supply chain and have alternate suppliers suggested for you. The platform allows you to see single supplier risk, assess relationship or financial risk, or even identify anyone in the supply chain who might appear on a government blacklist. There are many ways to see and understand risks in your supply chain.

## **Who do I contact with any questions regarding CONNEX™ UTAH?**

Send an email to [support@utah-mep.org](mailto:support@utah-mep.org), and we will be happy to respond to your questions and comments or direct your message to the appropriate respondent. You may also call the UTAH-MEP Alliance at 435-797-3789.