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Governor Shapiro Positions Pennsylvania as a National Leader in Responsible AI at AI Horizons Summit in Pittsburgh, Announces First-in-the-Nation Expansion of Advanced Generative AI Tools to the Commonwealth's Workforce

Governor Shapiro spoke at the second annual AI Horizons Summit in Pittsburgh, joining leaders from Google, Carnegie Mellon University, the Bank of New York Mellon, and Westinghouse to discuss Pennsylvania's role as a national leader in responsible artificial intelligence (AI).

At the summit, the Governor shared that Pennsylvania now offers the most advanced suite of generative AI tools of any state in the nation to any qualified employee — building on the Commonwealth's first-in-the-nation ChatGPT Enterprise pilot program and empowering workers across state government to deliver better, faster service to Pennsylvanians.

Under Governor Shapiro's leadership, Pennsylvania has been [recognized](#) as one of the top three states in the nation for AI readiness — thanks to comprehensive policies, strong governance, workforce training, and innovative pilot programs that position the Commonwealth as a national leader in the safe, responsible, and effective use of generative AI.

Pittsburgh, PA – Today, **Governor Josh Shapiro** discussed his Administration's nation-leading work to responsibly harness artificial intelligence, strengthen Pennsylvania's innovation economy, and empower the Commonwealth's workforce — joining more than 900 technology, business, and academic leaders at the second annual [AI Horizons Summit](#) in Pittsburgh.

At the summit, Governor Shapiro announced that **Pennsylvania now offers the most advanced suite of generative AI tools of any state in the nation to any qualified employee**— building on the success of the Commonwealth’s [first-in-the-nation ChatGPT Enterprise pilot program](#). The announcement marks a major step in the Shapiro Administration’s efforts to responsibly deploy AI, boost government efficiency, and prepare Pennsylvania workers for the jobs of the future.

“Pennsylvania is leading the way when it comes to embracing innovation and putting artificial intelligence to work for people,” said Governor Shapiro. “We’re doing it responsibly, with the training and safeguards in place to protect our workers and the public. With world-class institutions like Carnegie Mellon, companies like Google and Westinghouse, and a growing innovation ecosystem right here in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania is showing the country how to harness AI to grow our economy, empower workers, and improve people’s lives.”

Governor Shapiro also joined a panel discussion with **Westinghouse Interim CEO Dan Sumner** and **Bank of New York Mellon (BNY) CEO Robin Vince**, moderated by **Carnegie Mellon University President Farnam Jahanian**, where he discussed the Commonwealth’s progress and the opportunities AI presents for industry, workers, and government.

Building on a Strong Record of Responsible AI Leadership

Since taking office, Governor Shapiro has [positioned Pennsylvania](#) as a national leader in responsible AI governance and innovation:

- **Executive Order on AI:** [Established](#) the nation’s strongest standards for AI use in state government, guided by 10 core values including accuracy, privacy, equity, and transparency
- **Generative AI Pilot Program:** First-in-the-nation partnership with OpenAI to test ChatGPT Enterprise with Commonwealth employees, saving workers an average of 95 minutes per day
- **Responsible Training:** More than **1,300 Commonwealth employees have completed InnovateUS training** on safe and ethical AI use, with another 3,200 enrolled
- **Labor-Management Collaboration:** Creation of the Generative AI Labor and Management Collaboration Group to ensure workers have a voice in shaping how AI is deployed in government operations
- **National Recognition:** Pennsylvania was ranked among the top three states for AI readiness in Code for America’s 2025 Government AI Landscape Assessment

With today’s announcement, Commonwealth employees will have access to **ChatGPT Enterprise in addition to Microsoft CoPilot Chat** — top-of-the-line, commercial-grade tools designed to boost productivity and innovation.

Strengthening Pennsylvania's AI Innovation Economy

The AI Horizons Summit also showcased new partnerships fueling Pennsylvania's innovation economy:

- **BNY and Carnegie Mellon University** announced a **five-year, \$10 million collaboration** to establish the **BNY AI Lab** at CMU's School of Computer Science. The lab will focus on governance, trust, and accountability in mission-critical AI applications.
- **Google** officially launched its **AI Accelerator for Pennsylvania small businesses**, providing free AI training and tools to help entrepreneurs streamline operations, cut costs, and grow. Governor Shapiro visited the Accelerator following his panel to meet with small business owners and Google leaders, and to deliver brief remarks.

Governor Shapiro's Economic Development Strategy

The Governor's leadership on AI is part of his broader work to grow Pennsylvania's economy and attract historic private sector investments. Since taking office, his Administration has:

- Secured **over \$25.6 billion in private sector investments**, creating more than **12,400 new jobs**
- [Announced](#) **Amazon's initial \$20 billion investment** in AI and cloud innovation campuses — the largest private investment in state history
- Launched the first statewide [economic development strategy](#) in nearly 20 years, focusing on five key industries: life sciences, agriculture, energy, manufacturing, and robotics & technology
- Secured **\$500 million in site development funding** in the [2024-25 bipartisan budget](#), including the new **PA SITES** program to [expand shovel-ready business locations](#)

Pennsylvania's leadership in AI is rooted in the Commonwealth's values of innovation, responsibility, and opportunity – and Governor Shapiro and his Administration is committed to ensuring that this new technology delivers real results for workers, businesses, and communities across the Commonwealth.