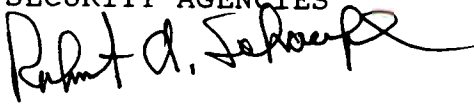


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DIRECTIVE: EMPLOYMENT SERVICE PROGRAM LETTER NO. 11-93

TO : ALL STATE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY AGENCIES

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SUBJECT : National Disability Employment Awareness
 Month, October 1993

1. Purpose. To transmit, under separate cover, 1993 National Disability Employment Awareness Kits to assist State Employment Security Agencies (SESAs) in preparing for their annual observance of National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM).

2. References. Rehabilitation Act of 1983, Section 501 (f), P.L. 100-630, the Handicapped Program Technical Amendments," and the Americans with Disabilities Act, Public Law 101-336.

3. Background. The President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities each year prepares and distributes promotional kits to assist public and private agencies in planning their observance of NDEAM. Kits are being distributed to SESAs, under separate cover, for their distribution to local job service/employment service offices.

4. Objectives. The 1993 NDEAM Kits include information to help SESAs organize programs and activities throughout the year to advance the employment of people with disabilities. This year the month of October will serve as the kick-off month for year-long activities and programs. It is hoped that this extended focus will help ensure that the promise of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) becomes a reality.

The theme for this year's program is **Energize America - Employ Ability.** Americans with disabilities represent an untapped pool of skills and an underutilized national resource who, when employed, will greatly contribute to our

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nation's strength and prosperity now and in the future. People with disabilities represent a large and important part of the U.S. labor force. By employing their ability, we are helping to energize America.

5. Action. SESAs are asked to transmit kits to their local job service offices and to assist them in planning and promoting their local observance of NDEAM.

6. Inquiries. Inquiries should be directed to the appropriate ETA Regional Office.

7. Separate Cover. 1993 National Disability Employment Awareness Kit.