

# Mass Workforce Issuance

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**Workforce Issuance No. 13-54**

Policy  Information

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**To:** Chief Elected Officials  
Workforce Investment Board Chairs  
Workforce Investment Board Directors  
Title I Administrators  
Career Center Directors  
Title I Fiscal Officers  
DCS Operations Managers

**cc:** WIA State Partners

**From:** Alice Sweeney, Director  
Department of Career Services

**Date:** September 26, 2013

**Subject:** **National Disability Employment Awareness Month**

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**Purpose:** To notify local Workforce Investment Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other local workforce investment partners of National Disability Employment Awareness month.

**Background:** Held annually during the month of October, National Disability Employment Awareness Month is led by the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy, but its true spirit lies in the many observances held at the grassroots level across the nation every year. The purpose of National Disability Employment Awareness Month is to educate about disability employment issues and celebrate the many and varied contributions of America's workers with disabilities..

Employers of all sizes and in all industries and all One-Stop Career Centers are encouraged to participate in National Disability Employment Awareness Month,

For specific ideas about how Career Centers can support National Disability Employment Awareness Month, visit the ODEP website at [www.dol.gov/odep/](http://www.dol.gov/odep/). Suggestions range from simple, such as putting up a [poster](#), to comprehensive, such as implementing a disability education program.

Posters in English and Spanish have been ordered and will be mailed to the career centers. All such initiatives play an important part in fostering a more inclusive workforce; one where every person is recognized for his or her abilities — every day of every month.

**Action**

**Required:** Please make this information available to all One-Stop Career Center staff.