



February 14, 2013

The Honorable George Miller
Ranking Member
House Education and Workforce
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Miller:

The National Down Syndrome Congress is pleased to see the introduction of the Workforce Investment Act of 2013. We are very happy that the provisions from the VR section that Congressman Miller introduced last year are retained in this bill. We believe that his bill contains many provisions, such as a strong focus on transition services, integrated employment and integration of education, HCBS and VR services.

NDSC is a national organization representing parents, families and self-advocates. Our top priority is improving services for adults with disabilities. Research has shown that people with significant disabilities can work successfully in the community. The provisions of the VR act that you have introduced would go a long way in making this a reality.

Vocational Rehabilitation is an essential Federal disability program and improving its effectiveness for all people with disabilities, including people with significant disabilities will surely advance our goals. Thank you again for your commitment to all people with disabilities.

Sincerely,

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