

## Disability Matters Conference: You Have to Experience It! Act Now For Special Savings for the April 15-17, 2013 Event in Jacksonville, Fla.

MENDHAM, N.J. (12/12/12) – Want an experience of a lifetime? Attend Disability Matters -- the conference you will never forget and will want to repeat year after year.

See what Alumni are saying... "Amazing"; "Ground Breaking"; "Incredible Energy"; Moving Speakers" and "A True Coming Together of Like-Minded Individuals" all while "Driving the Bottom-Line".

Thanks to our host, Florida Blue, Springboard's seventh annual U.S. Disability Matters Awards Banquet and Conference will be held April 15-17, 2013, at Florida Blue's headquarters in Jacksonville, Fla. This year's event will include more content than ever before, a fabulous awards dinner and banquet, and thanks to Adecco, NA, a fun-filled welcome reception!

Can you feel the excitement? This event has grown from a one-day event with 70 attendees in 2006; fast-forward 2013 to a two and a half day event with more than 350 of the nation's top Diversity, Human Resources, EEO and Marketing executives and practitioners. They are joined by colleagues representing the federal government, academia and the non-profit sector to share experiences and best practices on the most critical issues impacting disability in today's corporate workforce, workplace and marketplace.

Prepare to Be Educated, Connected, Celebrated, and most all, Inspired by our standout lineup of honorees and speakers, including one of our Keynotes, Dave Clark. Dave is a Cape Coral, Fla. resident and man of extraordinary will and perseverance. Stricken with polio at a young age, Dave went on to accomplish many things, from being the only probaseball player to pitch from crutches to coaching for Major League Baseball International. His story is what some might consider the greatest, "mostly unknown" professional sports account of our time, and offers unforgettable life lessons.

Are you ready for the event of the year? We sure are and we look forward to seeing you there!

## Special Offer Never attended Disability Matters before? \*Purchase a ticket as a first-time attendee and receive a Second ticket at 50% off!

\*both tickets must be paid for at the same time

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