

THE TOP TEN REASONS TO HIRE PEOPLE WITH BRAIN INJURY AND DISABILITIES

- 1. Many people with brain injuries and other disabilities are educated, experienced and qualified to meet your workforce needs.
- 2. Employees with brain injuries and other disabilities are rated similarly to their non-disabled peers in terms of performance, quality and quantity of work, flexibility, attendance, and safety.
- 3. People with brain injuries and other disabilities can enhance your diversity initiative. Diverse work groups can create better solutions to business challenges.
- 4. Hiring qualified people with brain injury and other disabilities is good for the economy, reducing the overall tax burden.
- 5. There are tax benefits for hiring and accommodating qualified people with disabilities.
- 6. Research suggests consumers feel positively toward and prefer to patronize companies that employ people with disabilities.
- 7. There are approximately 38 million people over 14% of the entire population with disabilities in the U.S. That means 1 in every 7 people is a potential employee and /or customer.
- 8. People with brain injury and other disabilities have \$175 billion in discretionary income and patronize businesses that are "disability-friendly" hiring, welcoming, and accessible to people with disabilities.
- 9. Companies can enhance their bottom line by integrating people with disabilities into their workforce and customer base.
- 10. Many people with disabilities acquire them later in life through medical conditions or accidents; these employees have a wealth of experience and education to add to your workforce