UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION {PRIVATE } OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES REHABILITATION SERVICES ADMINISTRATION WASHINGTON, DC 20202

INFORMATION MEMORANDUM RSA-IM-02-11 DATE: February 21,2002

TO

- : STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL) STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND) CLIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS (CAP) PROTECTION & ADVOCACY OF INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS PROGRAMS (PAIR) **REGIONAL REHABILITATION CONTINUING EDUCATION** PROGRAMS (RRCEPs) RSA DISCRETIONARY GRANTEES RSA SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM
- SUBJECT Interactive Satellite Telecasts on Final Regulations Implementing The Ticket to : Work and Self-sufficiency Program
- CONTENT : This provides information on two planned interactive satellite telecasts designed to provide training on the final regulations issued by The Social Security Administration (SSA) to implement The Ticket to Work and Self-sufficiency Program (Ticket Program). The telecasts will take place on March 11 and 18, 2002, from 2:00 - 3:30 PM, EDT, and will feature panel presentations by staff from the Rehabilitation Services Admin- inistration (RSA), SSA, Maximus, Inc., and several State VR agencies. The presentations will discuss the provisions of the final regulations and their impact on the VR program. Viewers will also have the opportunity to call in questions during the broadcasts. There are also plans to tape the training and make it available in a timely manner to those who cannot view the telecasts live.

These telecasts are being coordinated by the George Washington University Regional Rehabilitation Continuing Education Program GWU/RRCEP). The following information will enable viewers to access both telecasts:

Date:	March 11,2002 and March 18,2002
Program time:	2:00-3:30PM EST
Satellite:	KU-Band AM5 (formerly GE 5) 79° West
	Longitude
Polarity:	Horizontal
Transponder/channel:	14
Downlink Frequency:	12109Mhz
Audio:	6.2/6.8

Technical phone number for day of the program: (202-994-8233)

Within the next several days an agenda for the telecasts along with other relevant materials will be posted on the GWU website so that viewers may download this information in advance of the training. It is recommended that viewers monitor www.gwu.edu/~rrcep in order to stay current, as information for the training is developed and posted.

If you have questions regarding the planned content or format of this training, please contact Mary S. Davis of my staff for assistance. She can be reached at 202-205-8790 or by email at mary.s.davis@ed.gov. For questions regarding technical aspects of the broadcasts viewers are asked to contact Dr. Shannon Peters of the GWU RCEPP at 202-973-1557 or by email at skw@gwu.edu.

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