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March 9, 1988

Mr. Lex Frieden
Executive Director
National Council on the Handicapped
800 Independence Avenue, S.W., Suite 814
Washington, DC 20591

Dear Mr. Frieden:

I am delighted that you have accepted our invitation to participate in the forthcoming Southeastern Regional Conference titled, "Employing Minority Persons With Disabilities: An Investment In The Future." As may be seen from the enclosed Conference Program, this meeting which will be held on March 24-25, 1988 is co-sponsored by The President's Committee On Employment Of The Handicapped, The Center For The Study Of Handicapped Children And Youth, Howard University; the Center For Rehabilitation Technology, Georgia Institute of Technology/Georgia Southern College; the Georgia Division of Rehabilitation, the Atlanta Area Health Education Center, Inc. and other universities and community agencies. You have been asked to serve as a Guest Speaker at the Thursday Luncheon Plenary Session. This session will be held on Thursday, March 24, from 12:15 PM - 2:00 PM.

The Conference will take place at the Georgia Institute of Technology in the Fred B. Wenn Student Activity Center located at 350 Ferst Drive, N.W. Registration materials may be picked up outside of the Ballroom.

As a Guest Speaker, you will not be required to pay a registration fee and you will be provided with complimentary lunches. Therefore, it is necessary for us to know whether or not you plan to attend the Luncheon Session on both Thursday and Friday.

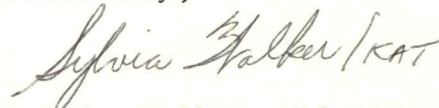
Please complete the enclosed form and return it as soon as possible. I am also asking that you distribute the enclosed registration forms to persons who might be interested in attending the conference. Also enclosed is a News Release. We are asking that you share this information with your media sources since we would like to obtain as much publicity for the conference as possible.

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Thank you again for your support. I look forward to your participation in this exciting meeting.

With every best wish...

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sylvia Walker / KAT". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Sylvia Walker, Ed.D.
Director

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SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE

MARCH 24-25, 1988

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

**"EMPLOYING MINORITY PERSONS
WITH DISABILITIES:
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Institute of Technology

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE CONTINUED

LUNCHEON PLENARY SESSION

10:30--12:00 Noon

Presiding: Dr. Sylvia Walker
Director, CSHCY

Invited Guest Speakers

- 0 Dr. Nicholas Henry,
President, Georgia
Southern College
- 0 Mr. Thomas Gaines
Director, Div. Of
Vocational Rehab,
Services

REMARKS

Regional Commissioner

INTRODUCTION

Executive Committee
Recommendations

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CONFERENCE WORKSHOP TOPICS

EMPLOYING DISABLED MINORITY
PERSONS: A WISE INVESTMENT

ATTITUDES, MYTHS AND
MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT DISABILITY

LEGISLATIVE PERSPECTIVES ON
REHABILITATION

THE STATUS OF DISABLED
MINORITY WOMEN

VITAL HEALTH ISSUES

ACCESSIBILITY ISSUES

THE UTILIZATION OF
TECHNOLOGY

WORKSHOPS CONTINUED

EFFECTIVE RECRUITMENT
AND TRAINING OF MINORITY
PROFESSIONALS

EFFECTIVE APPROACHES TO
EMPLOYMENT SUCCESS

PUBLIC/PRIVATE
PARTNERSHIP: THE VITAL
ROLE OF EMPLOYERS

DEMONSTRATIONS: A VIEW OF
MODERN TECHNOLOGY--TO INCLUDE:

"THE UNIVERSAL CAR"

"THE READING MACHINE"

"THE APPLE PROJECT MAGIC"

"THE HARRIS/LANIER WORD
PROCESS SYSTEM"

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"EMPLOYING MINORITY PERSONS
WITH DISABILITIES:
AN INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE"

REGIONAL CONFERENCE

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MARCH 24-25, 1988

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- 0 Identify and communicate employment success needs and problems of minority persons with disabilities.
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Conference Site: Fred B. Wenn
Student Center
Georgia Institute Of Technology

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 1988

Arrival
Hospitality Suite

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1988

REGISTRATION

8:00 A.M.--5:30 P.M.

OPENING PLENARY SESSION

8:45--10:00 A.M.

Presiding: Dr. Nathaniel Pugh, Jr.
Asst. to the President
Georgia Southern College

Invited Guest Speakers

- 0 The Honorable
Mayor Andrew Young
- 0 Mrs. Shepherd
Shepherd Spinal Clinic
- 0 Mr. Harold Russell,
Chairman, President's
Committee on Employment
of the Handicapped
- 0 Dr. James Ledbetter
Commissioner, Dept.
Human Resources
- 0 RSA Commissioner

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

10:15--12:00 Noon

LUNCHEON PLENARY SESSION

12:15--2:00 P.M.

Presiding: Mr. Jay Rochlin,
Executive Director,
PCEH

Invited Guest Speakers

- 0 Dr. John Cresine,
President, Georgia
Institute Of Tech
- 0 Mr. Lex Frieden
National Council on
The Handicapped

SOLOIST Rev. R. D. Pollard

AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

2:15--5:00 P.M.

RECEPTION

6:00--7:00 P.M.

SOLOIST Rev. R. D. Pollard

VIP/EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE MEETING

7:30--9:30 P.M.

FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 1988

PLENARY SESSION

8:45--10:15 P.M.

Presiding: Mrs. E. Anderson
Past President
National Re-
habilitation
Association

Invited Guest Speaker

- 0 Mr. Max Cleland,
Secretary Of State
Georgia

PRESIDENT'S PANEL

REGIONAL COMMISSIONER

Continued...

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE
Wed., March 16, 1988

ON-SITE REGISTRATION
Thurs., March 24, 1988

Only a limited number of people can be accommodated at this conference. Therefore, registration will be on a first come, first served basis. *Continuing Education Credit may be obtained by Rehabilitation Counselors.

REGISTRATION FORM

Mail this form before March 16, 1988 for PRE-REGISTRATION. Enclose a certified check or money order payable to: CRT/GEORGIA SOUTHERN COLLEGE, LANDRUM BOX 8146, STATESBORO, GA 30460.

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NEWS RELEASE

**HISTORICAL CONFERENCE TO FOCUS ON THE EMPLOYMENT SUCCESSES,
PROBLEMS AND NEEDS OF MINORITY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.**

Howard University's Center for the Study of Handicapped Children and Youth has joined with the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, The Center for Rehabilitation Technology, Georgia Southern College/Georgia Institute of Technology, and other universities and community agencies to sponsor a major regional conference which will address the many special issues which affect minority persons with disabilities. The conference titled "Employing Minority Persons with Disabilities: An Investment in the Future," will take place in the Fred B. Wenn Student Activity Center, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, March 24-25, 1988.

Many disabled Americans still face employment barriers because of their handicaps. For minority persons with disabilities, the problems of discrimination can be even more formidable. The goal of the conference is to address these issues and develop specific strategies to advance the employment of minority persons with disabilities. Workshop sessions will focus on attitudes, myths, & misconceptions about disability, the employment of disabled persons, legislative perspectives on rehabilitation, the status of disabled minority

women, vital health issues, accessibility issues, the utilization of technology, effective approaches to employment success, effective recruitment and training of minority professionals, and public and private partnerships.

This conference is especially significant since it involves the collaboration of government agencies, voluntary organizations and the business sector. Participants include: Mr. Harold Russell, Chairman, President's Committee On Employment Of The Handicapped; Dr. John Cresine, President, Georgia Institute Of Technology; Mrs. Alana Shepherd, Director, Shepherd Spinal Clinic; Mr. Lex Frieden, Executive Director, National Council Of The Handicapped; Ms. Janet Bittner, Deputy Commissioner, Georgia Department of Human Resources; Mr. Thomas Gaines, Director, Georgia Division of Rehabilitation and Dr. Robert E. Brabham, Executive Director, National Rehabilitation Association. Many other outstanding leaders will participate.

It is anticipated that well over 200 persons will participate in this special event. For more information you may contact:

Dr. Sylvia Walker:	202-636-7351
Ms. Kimberley A. Turner:	202-686-6726
Dr. Nathaniel Pugh, Jr.:	912-681-5388

SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE

**"EMPLOYING MINORITY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:
AN INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE"**

**The Collaborative Model to Facilitate
the Employment Success
of Disabled Minority Persons**

Co-sponsored by

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OF THE HANDICAPPED**

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AND YOUTH, SCHOOL OF EDUCATION,
HOWARD UNIVERSITY**

**CENTER FOR REHABILITATION TECHNOLOGY, GEORGIA
INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY/GEORGIA
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DIVISION OF REHABILITATION**

**GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA**

MARCH 24-25, 1988

SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Conference Fact Sheet

Conference Title: Employing Minority Persons with Disabilities:
An Investment In The Future

Location: Fred B. Wenn Student Activity Center
Georgia Institute Of Technology

PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

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- O Identify and communicate:
 - A. Employment successes, needs and problems of minority persons with disabilities.
 - B. The utilization of technology as a means of meeting the employment and independent living needs of the target population.
- O Provide information and recommendations which may:
 - A. Be used in the development of a follow-up plan of action.
 - B. Results in increased employment of minority persons with disabilities as we approach the 21st Century.

WORKSHOP AREAS

- (1) Employing Minority Persons With Disabilities: A Wise Investment
- (2) Attitudes, Myths and Misconceptions About Disabilities.
- (3) Legislative Perspectives On Rehabilitation: Local, State and Federal

WORKSHOP AREAS CONTINUED

- (4) The Status Of Minority Women with Disabilities in a Competitive Society
- (5) Vital Health Issues
- (6) Accessibility Issues Relative to the Attainment of Maximum Potential by Individuals with Disabilities
- (7) The Utilization of Technology: A Road to Employment and Independence for Individuals with Disabilities.
- (8) Effective Recruitment and Training of Minority Professionals: Meeting Employment Challenges of the 21st Century
- (9) Effective Approaches to Employment Success: The Georgia Rehabilitation Model
- (10) Public/Private Partnership: The Vital Role of Employers

FIELD TRIPS, DEMONSTRATIONS AND FILM FESTIVAL

A view of Modern Technology--To Include Special Features Such as:

"A visit to the IBM Technology Center"

"The Universal Car"

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"The Apple Project Magic"

"The Harris/Lanier Word Process System"

SELECTED FILMS WILL ALSO BE SHOWN

CONFERENCE CO-SPONSORS

THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYMENT OF THE HANDICAPPED

THE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF HANDICAPPED CHILDREN AND YOUTH,
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, HOWARD UNIVERSITY

THE CENTER FOR REHABILITATION TECHNOLOGY
GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
GEORGIA SOUTHERN COLLEGE

THE GEORGIA DIVISION OF REHABILITATION
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

ATLANTA AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER, INC.

AND
OTHER COMMUNITY AGENCIES

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday, March 24, 1988

Location: Fred B. Wenn Student Activity Center

REGISTRATION: Open at 8:00 AM -- Ballroom

OPENING PLENARY SESSION

8:45 AM - 10:00 AM

PRESIDING

Dr. Nathaniel Pugh, Jr.
Asst. to the President
Georgia Southern College

WELCOME

Ms. Janet Bittner
Deputy Commissioner
Georgia Dept. of Human Resources

CONFERENCE CHALLENGE

Mrs. Alana Shepherd
Shepherd Spinal Clinic

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Jay Rochlin
President's Committee On
Employment Of The Handicapped

GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Harold Russell
President's Committee On
Employment Of The Handicapped

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

Mr. Jesse Fowler
President's Committee On
Employment Of The Handicapped

MORNING WORKSHOP SESSIONS

10:15 AM -- 12:00 NOON

PANEL I

Room 301

"EMPLOYING DISABLED MINORITY PERSONS: A WISE INVESTMENT"

Moderator:

Mr. Wyman Poole
Division of Rehab. Services
Georgia Dept. Of Human Resources

"Strategies For Small Business Opportunities"

Presenter:

Ms. Joy Knistern

Presenter:

Mr. Marion Jay
Tift Company Mental
Retardation Services

"Job Readiness Training For People With Severe Physical Disabilities"

Presenter: Ms. Gail Moore
Goodwill Industry
Atlanta, GA

"A Formidable Challenge: Employment Success For Veterans With Disabilities"

Presenter: Mr. Ron Drach
Disabled American Veterans
Washington, DC

Presenter: Mr. Thomas O'Bryant
Equal Employment Opportunity
Affairs
Camden, CT

10:15 AM -- 12:00 Noon

PANEL II

Room 319

"ATTITUDES, MYTHS AND MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT DISABILITY"

Moderator: Ms. Alma Banner
DC General Hospital
Washington, DC

"The Role of Advocacy In Dispelling Stereotypes And Negative Attitudes"

Presenter: Ms. Charlotte Janis
Shepherd Spinal Center
Atlanta, GA

"Attitudes Toward Disability: Implications For Service Delivery"

Presenter: Professor Joseph Jiggetts
City College, CUNY
New York

**"Cultural Factors In The Formation Of Attitudes
Toward Individuals With Disabilities"**

Presenter: Ms. Karoyle Colbert
Assoc. For Retarded Citizens/PEP

**"Fostering More Positive Attitudes Toward Persons With Disabilities
Through The Use of Effective Media And Public Relations Strategies"**

Presenter: Mr. Richard Harris
Equal Employment Opportunity
Commission
Atlanta, GA

10:15 AM -- 12:00 Noon

PANEL III

Room 320

**"LEGISLATIVE PERSPECTIVES ON REHABILITATION:
LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL"**

Moderator:

Ms. Tamara Bibb
Division of Rehab. Services
Georgia Dept. Of Human Resources
Atlanta, GA

Presenters:

Mr. Jeffrey K. Richard
Sr. Staff Assistant To
The Speaker Of The House
Washington, DC

Mr. Tom Lawrie
Division of Rehabilitation Services
Georgia Dept. Of Human Resources
Atlanta, GA

10:15 AM -- 12:00 Noon

PANEL IV

Room 321

**"THE STATUS OF MINORITY WOMEN WITH DISABILITIES IN A COMPETITIVE
SOCIETY"**

Moderator:

Ms. Lydia Walker
Emory University
School Of Medicine
Grady Memorial Hospital
Atlanta, GA

**"Women With Disabilities Responding To Diverse Demands
In A Competitive Society"**

Presenter:

Ms. Diedre Davis, Esq.
Rehabilitation Services Admin.
U.S. Department Of Education
Washington, DC

"Minority Women Small Business Opportunities"

Presenter:

Ms. Rita Samuels
Georgia Coalition Of Black Women
Atlanta, GA

**"The Status Of Professional Minority Women With Disabilities:
A Personal Perspective"**

Presenter:

Ms. Cheryl Reid
Griffin, GA

"Paving The Way For Minority Women With Disabilities In The 21st Century"

Presenter: Ms. Mary Wells
Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital
Rome, GA

10:15 AM -- 12:00 NOON

PANEL V

Room 343

"VITAL HEALTH ISSUES"

Moderator: Rev. L. Johnathan Holston
Clifton United Methodist Church
Atlanta, GA

"Rehabilitation Medicine"

Presenter: Dr. Herbert Thornhill
Harlem Hospital Center
New York, NY

"AIDS"

Presenter: Dr. Bryan Keith Lindsey
Center For Disease Control
Atlanta, GA

"The Impact Of Substance Abuse In Minority Communities"

Presenter: Dr. Roberta Turner
School Of Social Work
Howard University
Washington, DC

LUNCHEON PLENARY SESSION

12:15 pm -- 2:00 pm

Ballroom

PRESIDING

Mr. Jay Rochlin
President's Committee On
Employment of The Handicapped
Washington, DC

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MUSICAL SELECTION

Rev. Renwick D. Pollard
Atlanta, GA

GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. John Cresine
President
Georgia Institute Of Technology
Atlanta, GA

GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Lex Frieden
National Council on The
Handicapped
Washington, DC

2:15 PM -- 5:00 PM

PANEL VI

Room 301

"ACCESSIBILITY ISSUES RELATIVE TO THE ATTAINMENT OF MAXIMUM
POTENTIAL BY INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES"

Moderator:

Mr. Reed Benson
Past President
Governor's Committee On The
Handicapped, Atlanta, GA

"Accessible Transportation: An Essential Link To Independence"

Presenter:

Mark Johnson
Shepherd Spinal Center
Atlanta, GA

"The Elimination Of Architectural Barriers:
A Challenge For The 1980's"

Presenter:

Mr. Jon Sanford
College of Architecture
Georgia Institute Of Technology
Atlanta, GA

"Creative Approaches To Barrier Free Environments
For The Physically Challenged"

Presenter:

Mr. Ron Mace
Barrier Free Environments
Raleigh, NC

"What Section 504 Says About Reasonable Accommodations"

Presenter:

Mr. Theo Payne
Division of Rehabilitation Services
Georgia Dept. Of Human Resources
Atlanta, GA

2:15 PM -- 5:00 PM

PANEL VII

Room 320

**"THE UTILIZATION OF TECHNOLOGY:
A ROAD TO EMPLOYMENT AND INDEPENDENCE FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH
DISABILITIES"**

Moderator: Robert Nicholls
Center For The Study Of
Handicapped Children And Youth.
Washington, DC

"ERGO MED"

Presenter: Dr. Robert Pugh
Medical Rehabilitation
Services
Jackson, MS

"ROBOTICS"

Presenter: Mr. Thomas Single
College Of Architecture
Georgia Institute Of Tech
Atlanta, GA

"The Harris/Lanier Word Process System"

Presenter Mr. Tony Bradshaw
College Of Architecture
Georgia Institute Tech
Atlanta, GA

"Corporate Technological Contributions: Bridges To Independence"

Presenter: Ms. Mary Pat Ratabaugh
National Support Center, IBM
Atlanta, GA

2:15 PM -- 5:00 PM

PANEL VIII

Room 321

**"EFFECTIVE RECRUITMENT AND TRAINING OF MINORITY PROFESSIONALS:
MEETING EMPLOYMENT CHALLENGES OF THE 21ST CENTURY"**

Moderator: Dr. Cheryl Utley
George Peabody College
Vanderbilt University
Nashville, TN

**"The Role Of Historically Black Colleges And Universities In The
Recruitment And Training Of Minority Professionals"**

Presenter: Dr. Lynda Campbell
Southern University
Baton Rouge, LA

**"The Medical College Of Augusta's Approach To
The Employment Challenges Of The 21st Century"**

Presenter: Ms. Ginny Allen
Medical College Of Augusta
Augusta, GA

**"Emory University Addresses The Vital Need
For Rehabilitation Personnel In The 21st Century"**

Presenter: Ms. Zebe Schmidt
Emory University
Atlanta, GA

**"The Preparation Of Minority Professionals:
A Formidable Challenge"**

Presenter: Ms. Sophia Wright
Georgia Institute Tech.
Atlanta, GA

2:15 PM -- 5:00 PM PANEL IX Room 319

**"EFFECTIVE APPROACHES TO EMPLOYMENT SUCCESS:
THE GEORGIA REHABILITATION MODEL"**

Moderator: Dr. Richard Martin
College Of Architecture
Georgia Institute Of Tech.
Atlanta, GA

PANELISTS TO INCLUDE SEVERAL OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONALS

2:15 PM -- 5:00 PM PANEL X Room 343

"PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS: THE VITAL ROLE OF EMPLOYERS"

Moderator: Mr. Terrell Slayton
Commissioner's Office
Georgia Dept. Of Human Resources
Atlanta, GA

"The Corporate Role In Facilitating Economic Independence"

Presenter:

Ms. Phyllis Taylor
IBM Corporation
Atlanta, GA

"The University: A Facilitator For Public/Private Partnerships"

Presenter:

Dr. William Reed Jr.
Atlanta University
Atlanta, GA

"Independent Living Center: A Forceful Link To Employment"

Presenter:

Dr. Janet Tyree
Atlanta Center For
Independent Living
Atlanta, GA

**"A Road To Employment Success:
Minority Professionals In The Private Sector"**

Presenter:

Dr. Richard Mouson
Consultant

6:00 PM -- 7:00 PM

RECEPTION

Ballroom

Friday, March 25, 1988

OPENING PLENARY SESSION

8:45 AM -- 10:15 AM

Ballroom

PRESIDING

Mrs. Elizabeth Anderson
Past President
National Rehabilitation
Association
Washington, DC

INVITED GUEST SPEAKER

The Honorable Major Owens
Democrat, New York

PRESIDENT'S PANEL

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PRESIDING	Dr. Sylvia Walker Director Center For The Study Of Handicapped Children And Youth	
INTRODUCTION TO GUEST SPEAKER	Mrs. Elizabeth Kinne Division Of Rehabilitation Services Georgia Dept. Of Human Resources	
GUEST SPEAKER	Mr. Thomas Gaines Director Division Of Rehabilitation Services Georgia Dept. Of Human Resources	
REMARKS	Regional Commissioner Region IV	
CONFERENCE WRAP-UP	Executive Committee Recommendations	
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS	Mr. Jesse Fowler The President's Committee On Employment of the Handicapped	

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Staff of the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped and the Center for the Study of Handicapped Children and Youth would like to extend their warmest and sincerest appreciation to the many national and local rehabilitation organizations and agencies, universities, corporations, and other service delivery agencies who have contributed to the success of this conference.

We are grateful to the many individuals who have worked very hard during the past several months in preparation for this Regional Conference.

We are especially appreciative of the support which we have received from the School of Education at Howard University, the National Institute of Disability and Rehabilitation Research (of the U.S. Department of Education), AT&T, IBM, Digital, New Jersey Bell, Atlanta Health Education Center, Georgia Technological Center, and our Local Task Force. We would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Nathaniel Pugh for his leadership as Program Chairman.

Finally, the cooperation and collaboration rendered by administrators, staff, students, and faculty of various institutions and organizations have facilitated the accomplishment of the project's goal, providing a stimulating and informative conference in an atmosphere of fellowship.

Again, we thank you.

PROJECT STAFF

Dr. Sylvia Walker, Director
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The President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped



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February 18, 1988

Mr. Lex Frieden
Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Frieden:

As may be seen from the enclosed materials, The President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, The Center for The Study of Handicapped Children and Youth, Howard University; The Center for Rehabilitation Technology, (Georgia Southern College/ Georgia Institute of Technology) and several other colleges and community agencies are collaborating in order to address the needs of disabled Americans from minority groups. A major component of this project is the implementation of a Southeastern Regional Conference which will be held at the Fred B. Wenn Student Activity Center, March 24-25, 1988. This conference is designed to achieve the following objectives:

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Dignity, Equality, Independence through Employment

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Human Services
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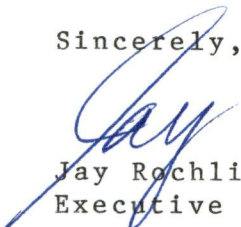
A major aspect of the Southeastern Regional meeting will be the implementation of several workshop sessions. These various workshops will focus on issues and effective strategies relative to the employment of the targeted population.

We are writing to request that you serve as a Guest Speaker for the Luncheon Plenary Session. This session will be held on Thursday, March 24, 1988 from 12:15 PM - 2:00 PM. Since this session is rather brief, we are requesting that your remarks be approximately 20 minutes in duration.

Since we are in the process of finalizing the program for this conference, we would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible. We hope you will accept this invitation. Please contact Dr. Nathaniel Pugh at: (912) 681-5388 or The Center For The Study Of Handicapped Children And Youth at: (202) 686-6726 to let us know if you will be able to participate. We look forward to hearing from you.

With every best wish...

Sincerely,


Jay Rochlin
Executive Director


Sylvia Walker, Ed.D
Program Director

HOTEL REGISTRATION FORM

SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE

**"Employing Minority Persons with Disabilities:
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Co-Sponsored by:

- ☐ The President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped
- ☐ Howard University
- ☐ Center for Rehabilitation Technology, Georgia
Southern College/Georgia Institute of Technology
- ☐ Other Community Agencies

Conference Site:

Fred B. Wynn Student Activity Center
Georgia Institute Of Technology
Atlanta, Georgia

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PLEASE NOTE: A LIMITED NUMBER OF ROOMS HAVE BEEN RESERVED FOR OUR CONFERENCE.
THUS, ALL RESERVATIONS EXCEEDING OUR REQUEST WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A SPACE
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THE DISABLED. THEREFORE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT YOU MAIL THIS REGISTRATION FORM AS
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*The rate for a Single or a Double room is \$59.00 per night

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E. PROGRAM DESIGN

Description of Program Focus and Activities

The Mission of the project is to implement research and demonstration activities which facilitate increased employment and the attainment of maximum potential by non-white persons with handicapping conditions. The mission of the project, as defined, addresses the identification and solution of problems unique to the employment, economic and vocational rehabilitation needs of the disabled minority population. During the project year, the mission of the project (in keeping with a number of the long range goals identified by NIDRR) will focus on the implementation of three regional conferences and two symposia which are designed to (a) provide information and training and (b) increase employment among disabled minority persons.

The project will also provide support services which facilitate collaboration and networking among rehabilitation agencies, community organizations, disabled clients and their families and the corporate sector.

A unique feature of the project is the interface, collaboration, and networking of Howard University, The President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, community agencies within Washington, D.C., state and private rehabilitation service agencies and employers throughout the United States. Figure 3 illustrates the cooperative model. Figure 4 illustrates the geographic areas which have been targeted for the implementation of project activities. Key project activities and outcomes are described in Chart 1.

PROGRAM CONTENT AND TENTATIVE OUTLINE FOR REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Day 1

Registration
Opening Plenary Session
Reception

Day 2

Registration
Morning Plenary Session
Job Fair for Disabled High School Students and Clients
Concurrent Morning Workshop Sessions
Plenary Luncheon Session
Concurrent Afternoon Workshop Session
Wrap-up Session

FIGURE 3

**Interface of Howard University
Units, Community Agencies, and
Employers, Relative to the
Implementation of Project Activities.**

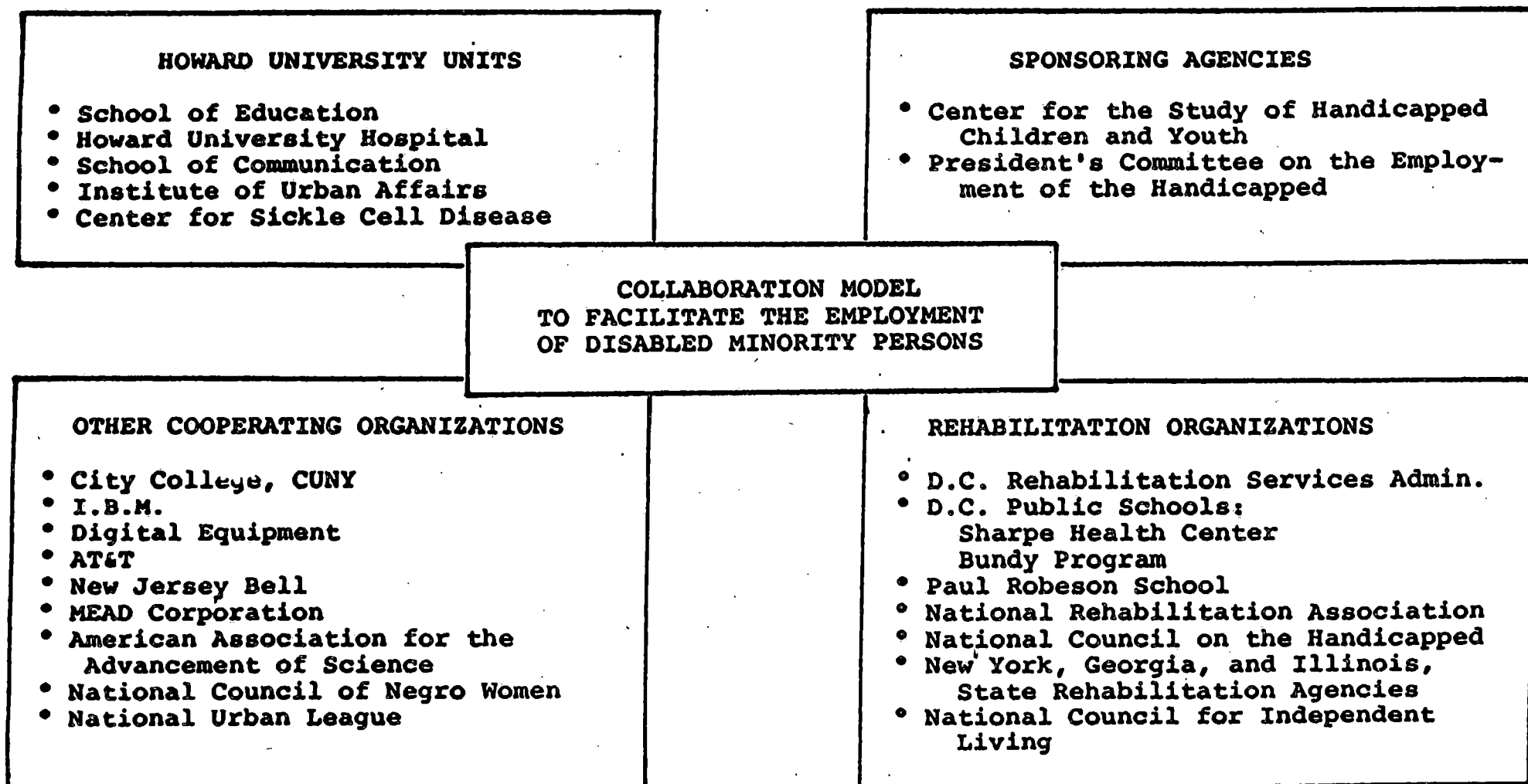
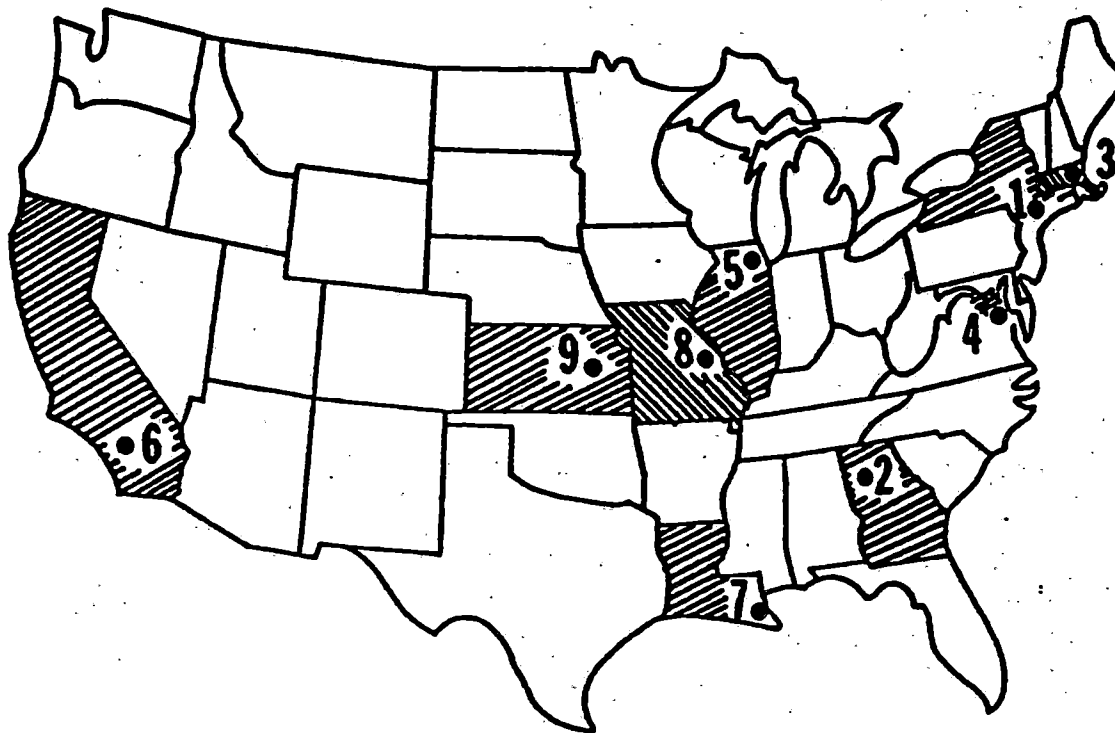


FIGURE 4
TARGETED GEOGRAPHIC SITES



A Total of nine (9) geographic sites have been identified for implementation of regional conferences, employment activities, and related strategies. They include:

1. New York City, Regional Conference, October, 1987.
2. Atlanta, Georgia, Regional Conference, March, 1988.
3. Boston, Mass., Symposium, February, 1988.
4. Washington, D.C., Symposium, May, 1988.
5. Chicago, Illinois, Regional Conference, June, 1988.

Sites targeted for future replication include:

6. Los Angeles, California.
7. New Orleans, Louisiana.
8. St. Louis, Missouri.
9. Lawrence, Kansas.