

## Registration Site Goes Live for the 2012 U.S. Disability Matters Awards Banquet & Conference. Register Today!

**MENDHAM, NJ** (1/16/12) -- Springboard Consulting LLC, recognized as the global expert on mainstreaming disability in the corporate workforce, workplace and marketplace, announces its Sixth Annual Disability Matters Awards Banquet and Conference, to be held Wednesday and Thursday, April 18-19, 2012 at Prudential Financial's headquarters in Newark, New Jersey.

Thanks to our host, Prudential, we have expanded this most important corporate event to two days, allowing for even more information and best practices to be shared. 2012's event will include a special session on current U.S. legislation featuring speakers from the EEOC, OPM, OFCCP and ODEP, and another session on Veteran's issues and opportunities. In light of recent legislative changes and proposals, these sessions will be invaluable to conference attendees. The event will also feature two keynote speakers, Chai Feldblum, U.S. EEOC Commissioner and John Crowley. John is best known as the founder of several biotech companies devoted to curing genetic diseases and as the subject of both the book, The Cure: How a Father Raised \$100 Million – And Bucked the Medical Establishment – In a Quest to Save His Children and the movie, Extraordinary Measures.

This year's awards banquet will be held at the nationally acclaimed New Jersey Performing Arts Center. It will include an exclusive senior executive reception with Jeff Hoffman presenting. Jeff, most recognized for his role as part of the founding team of Priceline.com, is an accomplished entrepreneur and innovator in the fields of Internet, e-commerce, and entertainment, who has spent his life building companies and motivating business leaders and their employees around the world.

"We are most excited about our newest award category, Disability Champion, which recognizes a corporate executive, manager or associate whose advocacy, commitment and action in support of mainstreaming disability in their workforce, workplace and/or marketplace and has greatly contributed to their organization's success".

"We are also honored that Prudential, a previous recipient of the <u>Disability Matters Award</u>, is hosting the 2012 event," said Nadine Vogel, President of Springboard Consulting LLC. "Their 'Special Needs Solution ...For All Ages" program demonstrates the company's dedication to the education and support of consumers who have a child or other dependent with special needs."

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