Why Conduct Another Survey?

- Many changes since 2010
- ACS additional questions insufficient
- Employment gap still exists
- Employment still discouraged
- Poverty and disability closely linked
Three Guiding Principles

• Striving to Work

• Overcoming Barriers

• Opportunities to Achieve Employment
Collaborative Partners

• Kessler Foundation
• University of New Hampshire
  - Institute on Disability
  - Survey Center
• Advisory Panel
Design

• National
• Non-institutional working age adults with disabilities (18-64)
• 3,000 telephone interviews (±1.8%)
• Dual frame (cell and landlines)
Question Examples

• Striving to Work

“You indicated that you are actively looking for work. How many resumes or job applications did you send out in the last three months?”
Questions (con’t)

• Overcoming Barriers

“What method was most helpful in finding your current/previous job?”
Questions (con’t)

• Opportunities to help PWD achieve employment goals

“Did you encounter – supervisors or co-workers who incorrectly thought you couldn’t do the job?”
Current Status*

• Survey launched first week of November
• 54 questions, completion time ~17 minutes
• No. of calls dialed: 40,243
• 180 interviews completed
• Positive feedback

*As of 11/17/14
Next Steps

- Survey completion by early 2015
- Data analysis
- Dissemination – June 2015