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Dr. Wehman is a Professor of Physical Medicine, Rehabilitation and Chairman of Rehabilitation Research with a joint appointment in the Departments of Special Education and Disability Policy and Rehabilitation Counseling. He also is the Director of the Rehabilitation Research and Training Center and the Director of the Virginia Commonwealth University Autism Center for Excellence (ACE). He has written extensively on issues related to transition from school to adulthood and special education as it relates for young adulthood. Dr. Wehman has been a pioneer in the development of supported employment at VCU in the early 1980s and has been heavily involved in the use of supported employment with people who have severe disabilities, such as those with severe intellectual disabilities, brain injury, spinal cord injury or autism.

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THE *SECOND* ANNUAL AUTISM PUBLIC HEALTH LECTURE

Evidence Based Employment Intervention Models: Pathways to Competitive Employment for Youth with Autism

**Wednesday, March, 19, 2014
9:00 AM — 11:00 AM**

Continental Breakfast provided 8:30 AM-9:00 AM

Paul Peck Alumni Center
32nd & Market Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19104

The unemployment of young people with autism is a serious problem. Students go to school for 20 years and leave with no employment in the workforce. This is unacceptable. There are, however, some approaches that are beginning to be used with success to alter the landscape of this problem. Dr. Wehman will discuss how long term internships, supported employment, customized employment, supported post-secondary education and small business models are each being adapted or developed for individuals with autism with an emphasis on those with high support needs.

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