Thank you for getting the word out about the Washington State Rehabilitation Council and our recruitment efforts.

The [Washington State Rehabilitation Council](http://wastrehabcouncil.org/GetInvolved.html) (WSRC) has a vacancy for a member to be the “***disability advocate***” on the council. Specifically, we are looking for a disability advocate who can provide a perspective and insight on the opportunities, challenges and, barriers experienced by people with disabilities. This individual need not be a person with disabilities (although the Council does have a requirement that 51% of the Council members be people with disabilities) but should be someone who is familiar with these issues.

The WSRC is mandated by the [Federal Rehabilitation Act](http://www2.ed.gov/policy/speced/reg/narrative.html) and all members must be appointed by the [Governor](http://www.governor.wa.gov/boards-commissions). The mission of the Council is to stand shoulder to shoulder with the [Washington State Division of Vocational Rehabilitation](https://www.dshs.wa.gov/ra/division-vocational-rehabilitation) (DVR) leadership as they make decisions and insure that the DVR customer's perspective is never forgotten. The WSRC role is to review, analyze, and advise DVR and also to advocate for DVR customers.

The WSRC has four, two-day meetings per year (January, April, July, and October) at different locations across the state. The bulk of the councils work happens between meetings. However, prospective members should expect to commit about 8-10 hours per month to WSRC activities: reading emails, working on sub committees (generally by phone), or just keeping themselves educated on what's going on in vocational rehabilitation. Expenses incurred due to travel and lodging for WSRC related activities are reimbursable. The perfect candidate is someone who is passionate about employment for all and wants to make the DVR system in Washington State the best in the nation.

We would really appreciate it if you could help us get the word out to your network. We would be happy to answer any questions you might have or talk to any interested parties.