

The Nevada Assistive Technology Council

The Nevada Assistive Technology Council asserts that all persons with disabilities, regardless of age or life situation, must have access to life empowering assistive technology to participate and succeed in modern society. Acquiring appropriate assistive technology (AT) devices and services are a necessity for many people with disabilities who are striving to succeed in life's pursuits including education, employment, living independently, and recreation.

Assistive Technology (AT) is any device or service that is used to increase, maintain, or improve the functional capabilities of people with disabilities.

The primary functions of the advisory council are:

- Know what Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative (NATC) services are and the purpose of the services.
- Know what other Assistive Technology services are and what the purpose of the services are.
- To serve as ambassadors of the AT Act program.
- To assist with the development of the three-year State Plan for Assistive Technology (SPAT).
- To assist the program with implementing and evaluating the activities identified in the SPAT and suggesting amendments, if needed, based on the Annual Progress Report (APR).
- To provide a stakeholder voice about issues related to access to and acquisition of assistive technology in the state the program serves.
- To provide input to other agencies and or partners in order to improve AT services within the state.

Some examples of Assistive Technology:

Adapted eating utensils

Adapted cooking aids

Accessible vehicle adaptations

Wheelchair ramp

Phone or Tablets and applications

Amplified phone

Magnification devices

Hearing aids

Amplification devices

Text Reading devices

Grab bars

Vehicle Hand Controls

Scooter Carriers

Dressing Aids

Wheelchair

Widened doorway

*Anything that can increase, maintain or improve the capabilities of the person!!

Nevada created or supports all of the services described in the Assistive Technology Act.

Information and assistance (I&A) to individuals needing help finding information about Assistive Technology and Assistive Technology services.

Assistive Technology Device

Demonstrations work directly on an individual, or individuals, comparing the features and benefits of AT devices. The purpose is to enable an individual to make an informed choice.

Assistive Technology Device Loans

enable the individual to borrow the Assistive Technology for hands on experience. Devices can also be loaned as an accommodation on a short-term basis.

Training activities are instructional events to increase participants' knowledge, skills, and competencies regarding AT. Examples are classes, workshops, and presentations that have a goal of increasing skills, knowledge, and competency, as opposed to training intended only to increase general awareness of AT.

Technical Assistance (TA) is direct problem-solving service provided by AT

Program staff to assist programs and agencies in improving their services, management, policies and/or outcomes.

Public awareness

Reutilization: Refurbish, Repair and Reuse of Assistive Technology

activities are those in which devices are accepted (usually by donation), sanitized and refurbished as needed, and then reassigned to a new owner.

State Financing Activities: Nevada has two programs that fall under State Financing Activities.

First, a statewide financial loan program as a resource for people with disabilities to borrow money for the purchase AT. **Second**, the Assistive Technology for Independent Living program (AT/IL) is a statewide program that supports an individual's choice to live in their community with the use of Assistive Technology (AT). The programs focus is removing daily living barriers.

For more information:

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List of community partners and Services by Partner