

Partnering to

**Empower Consumer Independence** 

By Connecting Consumers with Assistive Technology

**Laurie Brooks, President** 

"For people without disabilities, technology makes things easier.

For people with disabilities, technology makes things possible."

# 2016 NWD LTSS Transformation Grant Objective

Identify and Develop Strategies For Increased:

- Collaboration between Oregon ADRC and the Oregon Statewide Assistive Technology Program
- Provision and utilization of AT for individuals with disabilities across the lifespan and their families



## Aging in America

- Life expectancy is 78.8 years.
- 52% of people turning 65 today will require Long-Term Services and Supports during their life

#### **Activities of Daily Living (ADL)**

ADL Function	Independent	Needs Help
Bathing		
Dressing		
Grooming		
Mouth care		
Toileting		
Transferring bed/chair		
Walking		
Climbing stairs		
Eating		

#### **Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL)**

IADL Function	Independent	Needs Help
Shopping		
Cooking		
Managing medications		
Using the phone and looking up numbers		
Doing housework		
Doing laundry		
Driving or using public transportation		
*Managing finances		



## Aging in America

- Technology adoption rates by seniors are rising
- Assistive technology for seniors are a \$14
   billion industry rising to \$26 billion by 2029











## Hazards in Disguise



# State Assistive Technology Program Activities

- promote **interagency coordination and collaboration** with community-based organizations to improve access to assistive technology devices and services for individuals of all ages who experience a disability.
- support public awareness designed to provide a statewide information and referral system related to the availability and benefits of assistive technology devices and services.
- provide training and technical assistance to promote access to assistive technology devices and services, including outreach support to individuals from under represented and rural populations.



# State Assistive Technology Program Activities

- support **statewide financing systems** for the purchase, lease, or other acquisition of AT devices and services.
- support **device re-utilization programs** that provide for the exchange, repair, recycling, or other re-utilization of AT devices.
- support **device loan programs** that provide for short-term loans of AT so that individuals can try out devices or fill a temporary need for a device.
- support **device demonstration programs** that demonstrate a variety of AT devices and services and provide information about vendors, providers, and repair services.



## Partnership Considerations

Work with ATI to ensure ADRC database has a robust set of AT related listings/services

ATI provide education, trainings and technical assistance to ADRC staff to promote access to assistive technology

Collaborate on Outreach activities
Work with ADRC to develop ten AT Demo Kits for outreach/educational events

Provide ADRC staff with training and TA on kits

Provide information on how to maintain kits

Develop/strengthen cross referrals

ATI to participate on ADRC Statewide Advisory Council





#### Who is

Access Technologies, Inc.

**Get to Know Us!** 

#### **VISION**

A society where all people are valued and respected, and where all people have the knowledge, opportunity and power to improve their lives and the lives of others.



To assure that persons with disabilities in Oregon will be able to secure and effectively use assistive technologies.











# Access Technologies, Inc. (ATI)

At School • At Work • At Home • In The Community

Assessments

ADA/Workplace

**Assistive Technology** 

**Computer Access** 

**Ergonomic Risk** 



# Access Technologies, Inc. (ATI)

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**Trainings** 

Assistive Technology Devices, Software, Apps

Computers, Input Devices, Software

Tablets, Access Devices and Apps

**Ergonomic and Workplace Accommodations** 



## iCanConnect - Oregon

### **National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program**

## Combined hearing and vision loss? Learn about a FREE equipment program.

iCanConnect provides equipment and training to people with significant combined hearing and vision loss so they can stay connected to friends and family.

Sending email or chatting on the phone can be difficult without access to the right equipment. iCanConnect puts that technology into the hands of these individuals to enhance their independence.

Contact us to learn more about the program's income and disability guidelines, refer someone you know, or to apply for the program.

#### **iCanConnect**

The National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program

www.icanconnect.org/USA 503-361-1201 • TTY 800-677-7512





#### Who is

**Oregon's Statewide Assistive** 

**Technology Program** 



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**Device Demonstrations** 



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**Device Demonstrations** 

**Device Loans** 





#### Tour ATI's

**Device Lending Library** 

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**Device Demonstrations** 

**Device Loans** 

**State Financing Programs** 



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AT Purchasing Plan



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**Cooperative Buying** 



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**Device Reutilization** 





#### Tour ATI's

**Online MarketPlace** 

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**Device Demonstrations** 

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**Device Reutilization** 

**Public Awareness Activities** 



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Information and Assistance



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## Referrals

What Are Appropriate Referrals

What is the Referral Process

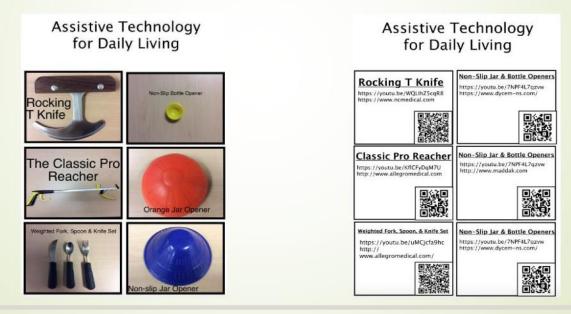
Consumer Experience When They Contact ATI



## Activity Device Reference Sheets

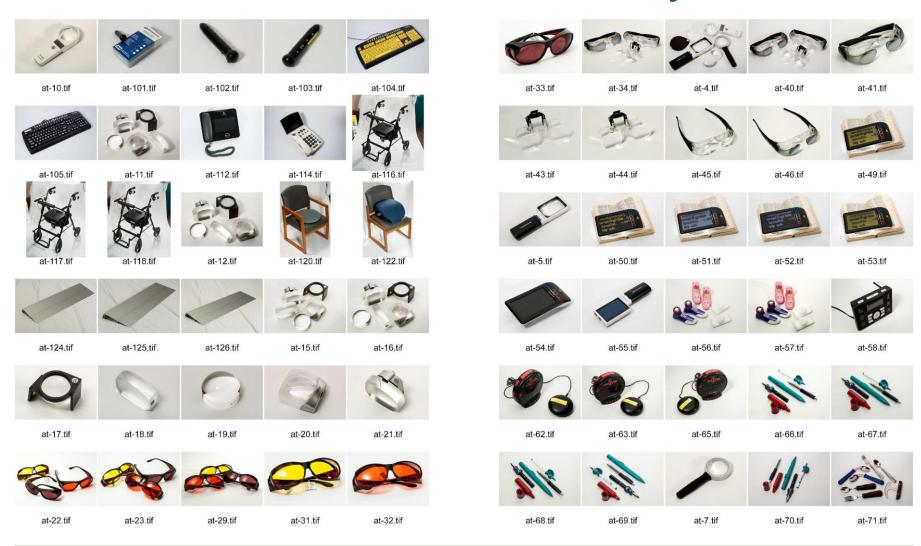
Arranged by category for our Data Collection System

Picture and name of device on one side Name, QR code to video and a link to find the item on the back





## **AT Awareness Activity**





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#### Daily Living – Writing Aids - Grips for Pens/Pencils

Pen and Pencil grips are designed to assist individuals with limited hand strength or who experience difficulties with gripping due to arthritis, writer's cramp, carpal tunnel syndrome, calluses, etc. Finding the grip that works best for your needs may be challenging, that's why Access Technologies, Inc. has a variety of writing utensil options available for you to explore.

- Item name: Bip Grip Pen Holder
- Description/usage: The Bip Grip is designed to make a standard pen or pencil easier to use.
   Untwist the cap, slide the pen/pencil in from the top, then twist together.
- Video demonstration link:
- Average cost of item: \$10.00
- How to purchase: For purchasing options, contact the Oregon AT Program at 503-361-1201
- Available for short-term loan through the state AT program: Yes
- Is this item covered by health insurance or another assistance program:

- Item name: Lite Touch Pen
- Description/usage: The design of the Lite Touch Pen requires almost no pressure to write
  with. The Pen is built-up to increase comfort while holding. The slight indentation provides
  added grip assistance. The Lite Touch Pen is designed with a replaceable ink cartridge.
- Video demonstration link:
- Average cost of item: \$10.00
- How to purchase: For purchasing options, contact the Oregon AT Program at 503-361-1201
- Available for short-term loan through the state AT program: Yes
- Is this item covered by health insurance or another assistance program:







**QUESTIONS??** 



