

Assistive Device Resource Guide

For Staff Working With Consumers



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INTRODUCTION

This guide is for staff who provide options counseling and case management services to consumers who may benefit from using assistive technology devices or services.

Oregon's designated assistive technology program, Access Technologies, Inc. (ATI), and the Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) of Oregon partnered to develop the Assistive Device Resource Guide.

Assistive technology (AT) includes any device, piece of equipment or product system used to increase, maintain or improve the functional capabilities of individuals with a disability. It also includes services that directly help individuals with a disability select, acquire or use assistive technology devices.

The items included in the guide represent a sampling of those available for demonstration, loan and/or purchase through Access Technologies, Inc. **Cost information** is included for each item in the guide. **Health insurance plans** sometimes cover the cost of assistive technology devices. However, because insurance providers and coverage vary widely, your consumers should contact their health insurance provider about potential coverage.

Access Technologies, Inc. provides a number of services, including:

- AT assessments and training and free assistive technology (AT) information, referral and device demonstrations: Toll-free voice/TTY: 1-800-677-7512.
- Short-term AT device loans (nominal fee applies): <https://www.accesstechnologiesinc.org/device-loan>
- Online marketplace to purchase new and used AT devices: <https://www.accesstechnologiesinc.org/marketplace>

Examples of AT services and devices

Keep in mind that the items in this guide only represent a sampling of AT services and devices. Many more options are available that may help your consumers. The below list will give you an idea of how many types exist. Contact ATI to learn more about all the options.

General services:

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- Functional evaluations
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- Training/demonstration of device
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- Device loan, purchase or lease assistance
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AT devices to increase independence at home:

- **Hearing:** Amplified telephones, personal amplification systems and alerting devices
 - **Memory:** Medication organizers, talking calendars and reminder applications
 - **Mobility:** Couch canes, seat canes, walkers and manual wheelchairs
 - **Vision:** Magnifying aids, eyewear, electronic readers and talking software
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AT devices to increase independence in the community:

- **Wildlife:** Switch adapted cameras, image stabilized and focus free binoculars, switch adapted fishing reels, wheelchair accessible tents, high quad gun mounts, and limited mobility gun and compound bow mounts
 - **Traveling:** Portable ramps, personal amplification systems, four-wheel outdoor scooters
 - **Gardening:** Long handle tools, electric pruners, magnification aids and weed zappers
 - **Building:** Anti-vibration and battery-powered hammers, digital angle finders, Craftsman ratchet combination wrench and automatic adjustable wrenches
 - **Auto work:** Portable tire step-up tool, battery-powered grease gun and cordless ratchet
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AT devices to increase independence with education:

- **Learning:** Talking computer software, word prediction programs, multicolored keyboards and voice recognition software
 - **Vision:** Hand-held and desktop magnification aids, talking scanning programs, eyewear, large print keyboards, magnification software and screen readers
 - **Hearing:** Personal amplification systems, amplified powered neck loop, shake awake alarm clocks, portable induction loops and amplified stethoscopes
 - **Organization:** Digital reading pens, recorders, voice labeling systems, reminder watches, time management applications, personal coaching software and mind mapping software
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AT services to increase independence at work:

- Ergonomic risk assessments
 - Organization and time management assessments
 - Vision assistive technology assessments
 - Hearing assistive technology assessments
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DAILY LIVING

Writing aids

Pen and pencil grips help individuals with limited hand strength or who have trouble with gripping due to arthritis, writer's cramp, carpal tunnel syndrome, calluses, etc. Because finding the grip that works best for your needs may be challenging, a variety of writing utensil options are available.

Weighted pens and pencils, and writing utensil holders are for individuals who experience fatigue or hand tremors while writing. Many of these writing accommodations gently place the fingers in the proper position to grip and to reduce fatigue while increasing muscle strength.

It is important to find the weighted pen/pencil grip and writing utensil holder that work best for your needs. A variety of weighted writing utensil options is available for you to explore.

Bip Grip Pen Holder

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.

Average cost of item: \$10

Available for short-term loan

Pilot Dr. Grip Mechanical Pencil

The Pilot Dr. Grip Mechanical Pencil is designed to decrease hand tremors, and includes a built-in grip. These pens and pencils are refillable.

Average cost of item: \$12

Available for short-term loan

Lite Touch Pen

The writer exerts almost no pressure to write with the Lite Touch Pen. The thickened pen increases comfort while holding. The slight indentation provides added grip assistance. The Lite Touch Pen has a replaceable ink cartridge.

Average cost of item: \$10

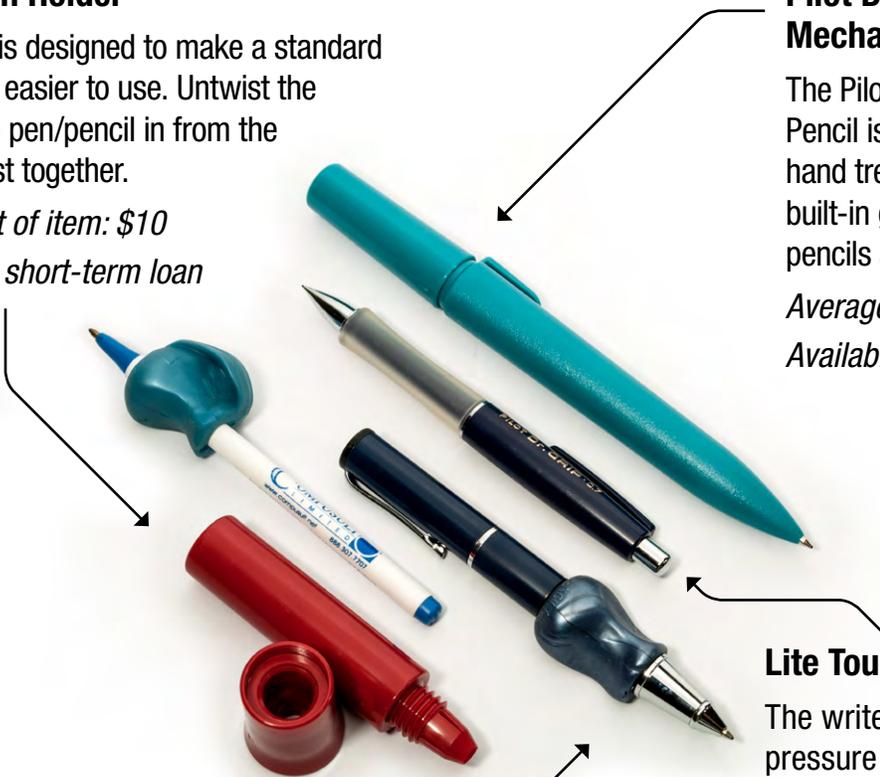
Available for short-term loan

Heavy weight pen with pencil grip

The heavy weight pen with pencil grip is designed to decrease hand tremors, and includes a built-in grip. These pens and pencils are refillable.

Average cost of item: \$25

Available for short-term loan



Dinnerware

Scoop dishes and plates with a raised inner lip make it easier to keep food from sliding off the edge, or spilling over the edge while the individual is eating. Some scoop dishes are designed with high inner walls to keep food separated, which can be helpful to “push” food onto the utensil.

Some individuals find scoop dishes with a lid allow them to carry their plate from the kitchen or serving line to their table without the risk of spilling.

Partitioned scoop dish with lid

Partitioned scoop dishes have high inner walls, three separate food compartments and a lid. Most are dishwasher and microwave safe.

Average cost of item: \$8



Utensils

Adapted eating utensils can increase an individual’s independence and confidence during mealtime. However, finding the correct spoon, fork or knife may be challenging.

There are a variety of eating utensil options, including some designed with a tapered or built-up handle to provide easier grip for individuals with limited upper extremity control, angled or bent for easier access to the individual’s mouth, and extra weight to accommodate individuals with tremors.



Melaware

The Melaware spoons are available for individuals who use either their right or left hand, and are designed with built-up, curved plastic handles to make gripping easier for individuals with limited upper extremity control.

Average cost of item: \$12

Good Grips

The OXO Good Grip utensils are designed with a soft, cushion grip that makes them easier to hold. The Good Grips stainless steel fork has a special twist built into the metal shaft that allows the utensil to be adjusted to any angle. Explore the Good Grips Fork for individuals who have had a stroke, weak grasp, limited arm movement, Parkinson's disease or neurological impairments.

Average cost of item: \$10



KEatlery Weighted Utensil

Weighted utensils are designed for individuals who experience difficulties at mealtime due to tremors.

Average cost of item: \$11



Rocking T Knife

The Rocking T Knife is designed with a sharp, stainless steel, single edge blade that requires less strength and dexterity to use.

Rocker knives are for individuals who experience difficulties using a knife and fork at the same time to cut their food. Rocker knives have a specially designed, curved blade that allows food to be cut with a rocking motion.

Average cost of item: \$24



Seating assistance

Individuals who find it hard to get up from a seated position can consider portable options, including the UpEasy Lifting Cushion and the Deluxe Swivel Seat Cushion.

Seat assist

Description/usage: The UpEasy Lifting Cushion is a portable lifting seat designed to assist individuals stand. They accommodate specific weight limits.

Average cost of item: \$145

Available for short-term loan



Deluxe Swivel Seat Cushion

Deluxe Swivel Seat Cushion is designed to eliminate the need to twist when getting into or out of a chair or vehicle.

Average cost of item: \$25

Available for short-term loan

MOBILITY

Portable ramps

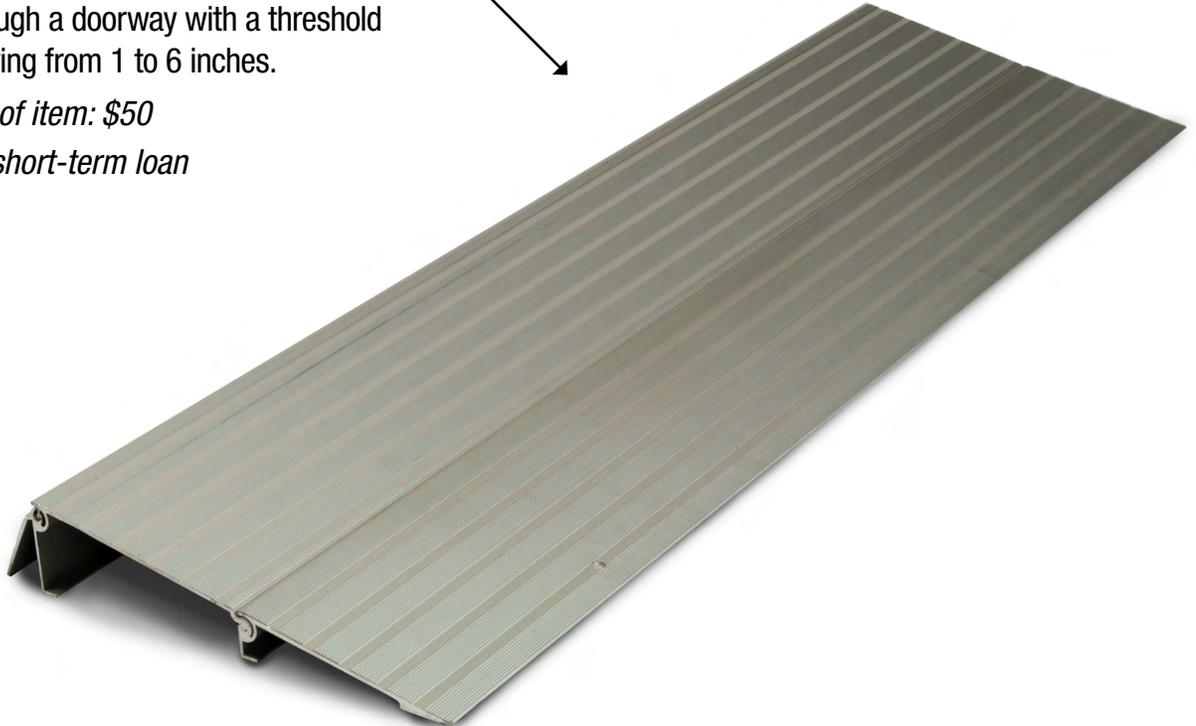
Portable ramps are designed to increase mobility access to/from your personal residence, van or SUV, or when visiting friends and family. Depending on the environment, you may wish to explore a folding or a threshold ramp.

Threshold ramp

The threshold ramp makes a smooth transition through a doorway with a threshold height measuring from 1 to 6 inches.

Average cost of item: \$50

Available for short-term loan



Transport chair/rollator

The Duet Transport Chair/Rollator combines the features of a rollator and transport chair in one unit. An individual has the ability to ambulate independently or be pushed safely by a caregiver. It has locking, flip-up armrests, and a flip-down footrest to aid the user while the Duet is used in the transport chair mode.

Duet

The Duet Transport Chair/Rollator combines the features of a rollator and transport chair in one unit. An individual can move independently or a caregiver can safely push them person. It has locking, flip-up armrests and a flip-down footrest to aid the user while the Duet is in the transport chair mode.

Average cost of item: \$170

Available for short-term loan



LOW VISION

Magnification

When selecting a magnifier, it's important to consider the task at hand. A hand-held magnifier with the correct magnification strength to prevent eyestrain may accommodate quick spot reading tasks such as reading the thermostat, a price tag or prescription bottle.

For detailed tasks or those that require more long-term viewing, such as watching television or attending a sporting event, the MaxTV, MaxDetail or MaxEvent will provide hands-free magnification. For tasks that involve extensive reading or for vision loss that requires high-level magnification, individuals may wish to explore video magnifiers.

MaxDetail

The MaxDetail is available in two styles to accommodate both individuals who wear eyeglasses and those who do not. For individuals who **do not** wear eyeglasses, the MaxDetail allows the person to separately adjust each eye lens.

If you **do** wear eyeglasses, the MaxDetail Clip simply attaches to the top of your glasses; this allows your glasses to correct your vision and the MaxDetail Clip to provide additional close-up magnification.

The MaxDetail provides approximately 2x magnification, with a working distance of up to 16 inches and a visual field of 20 degrees.

Average cost of item: \$140

Available for short-term loan



MaxDetail



MaxDetail Clip

MaxTV

The MaxTV accommodates distance viewing, and is available in two styles for both individuals who wear eyeglass and those who do not. For individuals who **do not** wear eyeglasses, the MaxTV allows them to separately adjust each eye lens. If you **do** wear eyeglasses, the MaxTV Clip simply attaches to the top of your glasses, allowing your glasses to correct your vision. The MaxTV Clip provides additional magnification when viewing your favorite television show. The MaxTV provides approximately 2x magnification, with a working distance from 10 feet to infinity and a visual field of 20 degrees.

Average cost of item: \$140

Available for short-term loan



MaxEvent

The MaxEvent accommodates outdoor distance viewing activities such as sporting events, concerts and bird watching. The MaxEvent is designed to accommodate individuals who wear eyeglass and allows the person to adjust each eye lens separately. The MaxEvent provides approximately 2x magnification, with a working distance from 10 feet to infinity with a visual field of 20 degrees.

Average cost of item: \$140

Available for short-term loan

Hand-held magnifiers

When selecting a hand-held magnifier for those important spot reading tasks, consider the environment with where you will be using the low vision aid. If you will be reading a menu in a dimly lit restaurant, you may wish to consider a portable, hand-held magnifier with a light. These are available with either incandescent or LED bulbs. However, if your tasks are in a location with adequate lighting, then perhaps a folding pocket or other non-illuminated hand-held magnifier is just right.

Average cost of item: Cost varies based on model

Available for short-term loan



MakroPlus

This Eschenbach magnifier combines the light gathering advantages of the bright field magnifier with the optical benefits of an aspheric lens to provide a brighter field of view without an additional light source. The MakroPlus provides 2.2x magnification, and accommodates the width of a newspaper column.

Average cost of item: \$150

Available for short-term loan



Bright field magnifier

The Bright Field Magnifier is sometimes mistaken for a paperweight. However, this particular model, by Eschenbach is designed to direct light onto your reading material, while providing 1.8x magnification.

Average cost of item: \$120

Available for short-term loan



MenasLUX

The MenasLUX is a compact, illuminated stand magnifier that provides 3x magnification. The unique design of the lens combines the benefits of a bright field magnifier (comfortable eye-to-lens viewing distance) and a hand-held magnifier (which allows for a higher magnification) in one device.

Average cost of item: \$195

Available for short-term loan

Makrolux Brightfield

This Makrolux provides edge-to-edge distortion-free magnification. The single lens model provides 2x magnification, while the double lens provides 3.6x. Both of these models include an LED light that automatically shuts off when not used for five minutes. The Makrolux has a forward tilted angled lens to provide a more comfortable reading position.

Average cost of item: \$195

Available for short-term loan



Portable video magnifier

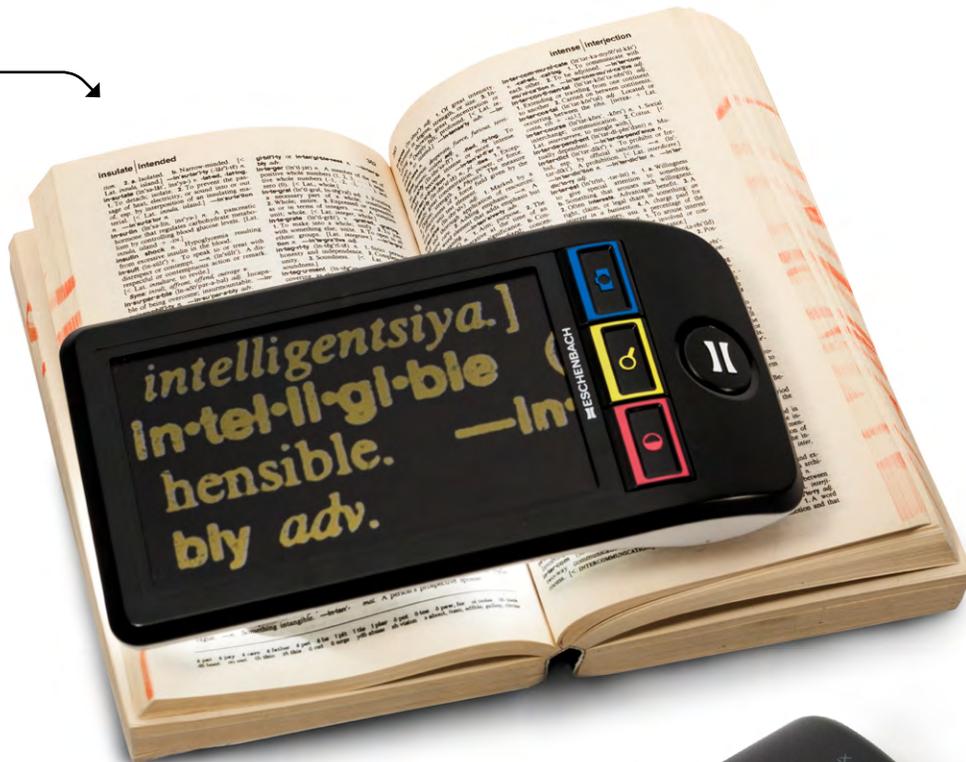
Portable video magnifiers offer many of the same features and functions as a desktop unit, while providing the convenience of being hand-held. Portable video magnifiers are designed to provide more magnification than a traditional magnifier, and many are designed with a larger viewing screen, as well as lines, blinds, guides and scrolling features.

Smartlux Digital

The Smartlux Digital is designed with a 5-inch LCD TFT display and provides 5x, 7x, 9x or 12x magnification. In addition, the Smartlux Digital settings allow for five viewing modes including full color, black on white, white on black, black on yellow, and yellow on black. The Smartlux Digital weighs 7.8 ounces.

Average cost of item: \$475

Available for short-term loan



The Mobilux Digital Touch Magnifier

The Mobilux Digital Touch Magnifier is designed with a 4.3-inch TFT LCD screen and provides magnification ranges from 4x to 15x with five contrast modes to allow the user to customize both the colors of the text and the backgrounds.

The Mobilux Digital Touch weighs 8 ounces.

Average cost of item: \$475

Available for short-term loan



Contrast eyewear

Different eye diseases affect the way light is perceived. More or brighter light is not always better. Instead, many individuals experience reduced eye fatigue while using contrast lenses in a tint that pleases their eyes. They are available in three frame sizes, and in five lens tints — yellow, amber, orange, plum and gray.

SolarShields

These Contrast Enhancing SolarShields are available in two styles, allowing you to wear them with or without eyeglasses. They also come in five lens tints, allowing you to select the tint and style that best accommodates your vision difficulties and tasks at hand. The gray polarized and plum lenses decrease overall light transmission and reduce glare, while the yellow, amber and orange lenses decrease blue light transmission and increase contrast.



Average cost of item: \$45

Available for short-term loan

Voice labeling system



PenFriend

The PenFriend is a voice labeling system allowing you to label food items, including freezer food and cooking instructions. You can also label film and music collections, organize household paperwork, record shopping lists or leave audio messages. Touch the PenFriend tip to the label and it will announce recordings specific to each label.

Average cost of item: \$170

Available for short-term loan

Computer access

Large-print keyboards are for individuals who struggle to see the lettering on their keyboard. There is a variety of large-print keyboards on the market, so it's important to explore the features of the keyboard to ensure the keys and button labels are easy to see, and are designed in a contrast that is comfortable to your eyes.

ZoomText keyboards

The ZoomText Black on Yellow Keyboard and the ZoomText White on Black Keyboard are designed with 36-point text and provide quick access to the ZoomText magnification software features. With the ZoomText software installed on your computer, press and hold a function key to instantly start ZoomText, change magnification levels, toggle screen enhancements, launch AppReader and DocReader, and more, all without having to memorize hotkeys. You can also reassign each feature key to your choice of ZoomText commands, internet and multimedia commands, or to open an application, document or web page.

Average cost of item: \$129

Available for short-term loan



HEARING

Caption telephones

Caption telephones help people with hearing loss use the phone to stay socially connected with loved ones, conduct important business and maintain confident communications for a longer, happier, healthier life. Caption Telephones require a landline, high-speed internet and a standard electrical outlet.



Captel

Captel's captioned telephones are available in the traditional telephone style, as a touch-screen and on a large display for individuals who experience difficulties reading standard sized captions.

Average cost of item:

Free to qualified consumers

Available for short-term loan

CaptionCall

The CaptionCall telephone features a large, easy-to-read screen that displays written captions of what your callers are saying. The phone offers one-touch dialing with customizable ringer or handset volume and frequency settings. Connection requires telephone service, an RJ-11 analog telephone jack, broadband internet connection and 120V AC power.

Average cost of item:

Free to qualified consumers

Available for short-term loan

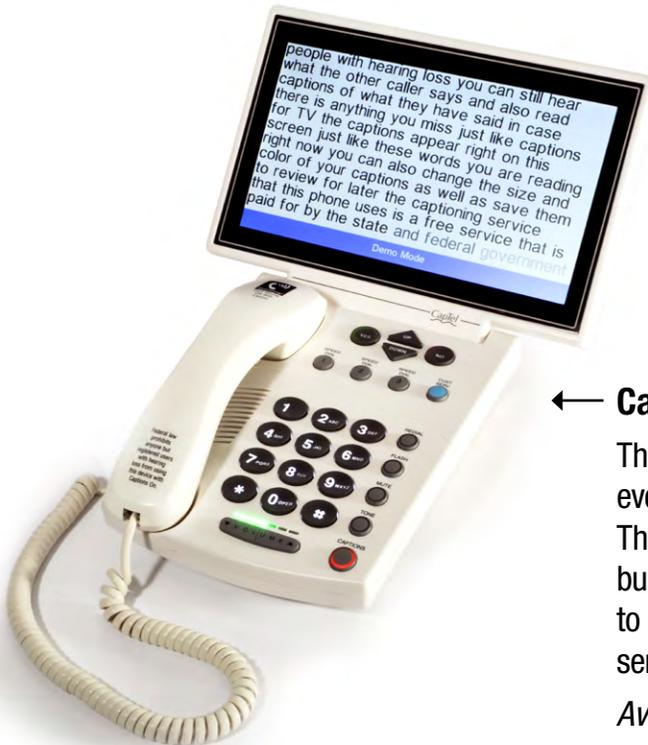


CaptionTel 840i

The CaptionTel 840i captioned telephone shows captions of everything your caller says on an extremely large display screen. This will help you catch every word. Connection requires telephone service, high-speed internet and standard electrical power.

Average cost of item: Free to qualified individuals

Available for short-term loan



CaptionTel 880i

The CaptionTel 880i captioned telephone shows captions of everything your caller says on an extremely large display screen. This will help you catch every word. 880i model includes a built-in answering machine, extra-large display screen and ability to adjust font sizes and colors. Connection requires telephone service, high-speed internet and standard electrical power.

Average cost of item: Free to qualified consumers

Available for short-term loan

CaptionTel 2400i

The CaptionTel 2400i captioned telephone shows captions of everything your caller says on an extremely large display screen to help make sure you catch every word. The 2400i model features a large touch-screen display and adjustable amplification up to 40dB. It is Bluetooth- and WiFi-compatible. Connection requires telephone service, high-speed internet and standard electrical power.

Average cost of item:

Free to qualified consumers

Available for short-term loan



Amplified, big button telephones

An amplified telephone can help you have clearer telephone conversations. Most amplified phones come with built-in amplification and tone control so you can turn up the volume higher than a traditional phone, and adjust the frequency of the other caller's voice to better fit your hearing.

Amplified telephones are available in both corded and cordless landline versions. Before purchasing, determine how much amplification you need, if the volume of the ringer meets your needs, and if the telephone buttons are easy to see.



CL 30

The cordless CL 30 by Serene Innovations is designed to amplify incoming sounds up to 40dB and has large brightly backlit keys that can “talk back” when pressed. The CL 30 is hearing aid compatible and recommended for individuals with mild to moderate hearing loss.

Average cost of item: \$129

Available for short-term loan

Amplified Photo Phone

The Clarity Tel-P300 allows the individual to place a call by simply touching a picture. Preprogram up to nine numbers on this easy-to-use landline telephone. It is designed to amplify incoming sounds up to 10 times the normal level and includes automatic tone enhancement to clarify hard-to-distinguish sounds such as “chair” and “share.” The Tel-P300 includes a T-coil compatible handset and a bright visual ring flasher.

Average cost of item: \$45

Available for short-term loan



Big Button HearPlus amplified telephone

Doro HearPlus 317 ci combines excellent ergonomics with superb visual aids, improving hearing aid compatibility and enhanced sound adjustments for individuals with severe hearing loss. An excellent amplified telephone, up to 53 dB, that is extremely easy to use and understand. It includes a bright, flashing visual ringer; vibrator mode for included pillow shaker; extra-large display with very high contrast and zoom; handset volume control with special boost function; and a headset outlet for headset/neck loop/additional headset.

Average cost of item: \$190



Alerting systems

Individuals who experience difficulties hearing an alarm clock, a ringing telephone, someone knocking on their door or a baby crying may wish to explore visual and vibrating alerting systems.

Sonic Boom with Bed Shaker

This is an extra-loud 113 dB dual alarm (with adjustable tone and volume control). It is the industry's most powerful bed shaker. It has built-in super bright red flashing strobe lights; a five-level dimmer; snooze time of one to 30 minutes; alarm duration from one to 59 minutes; battery backup; and a one-year warranty.

Average cost of item: \$43

Available for short-term loan





Sonic Shaker Travel Clock

Loud 90 dB volume. Easy-to-read 3/4" display. Manually lighted display up to 50 percent longer battery life. New test button: push to test batteries, vibrator and sound operation. It has easy-to-set function keys. Standard batteries and a travel case with pillow clasp are included. It has a continuous four-minute snooze setting. Swivel and flush mounted display protects settings.

Average cost of item: \$30

Available for short-term loan

Simplicity Doorbell Signaler

The Simplicity Doorbell Signaler provides a visual alert to a doorbell ringing whether or not there is an existing doorbell. Its built-in outlet flashes a plugged-in lamp. Switch to allow lamp to be turned on/off for normal room lighting. It can transmit to remote receiver(s) to flash lamps in multiple rooms. You can use an optional add-on strobe instead of using a remote receiver or lamp. Pair this signaler with the Simplicity Remote Receiver, also available for loan, and know when someone is at your door.

Average cost of item: \$100

Available for short-term loan



Krown Door Knocker

Always know if someone is knocking at your door. The Krown Door Knocker is an effective alerting device for home, office, dorm, hotel or motel. It is small enough to fit in a purse or carry-on and versatile enough to substitute as a high-powered flashlight. The Krown Door Knocker can be placed above any door and its ultra-bright LED indicator will flash repeatedly, alerting you someone is knocking.

Average cost of item: \$30

Available for short-term loan



AlertMaster

The AlertMaster AL-10 is a visual alert system that notifies the individual to sounds around them including telephone rings, when someone is at the door, and when the built-in alarm clock goes off. This system can be expanded by adding additional transmitters for notification of sound or motion. This combo package is suitable for those who wish to be notified in more than one room.

Average cost of item:

Cost varies depending on options

Available for short-term loan



Wireless Doorbell and Videophone Flasher

Wireless Doorbell and Videophone Flasher is a visual alert system designed to notify the individual when a doorbell is activated or when the person receives a call on a videophone. The light flashes red when it receives a signal from the doorbell and white when the videophone rings.

Average cost of item: \$150

Available for short-term loan



Sonic Ring Telephone Signaler

Sonic Ring is designed to flash a plugged-in lamp when the telephone rings. Compatible with most lamps using incandescent light bulbs up to 300 watts. Never use the signaler with a fluorescent light.

Average cost of item: \$40

Available for short-term loan

Sonic Doorbell and Telephone Signaler

The Sonic Doorbell and Telephone combination model features a built-in telephone signaler and outlet for connecting a lamp. Simply plug the telephone cord into a modular telephone jack. Pair with Sonic Remote Receiver.

Average cost of item: \$50

Available for short-term loan



Sonic Remote Receiver

To be alerted to sounds around you, plug the Sonic Remote Receiver into a lamp and pair it with a Sonic signaler or transmitter. This receiver works great in most rooms including the kitchen or bathroom where an extra lamp is not needed for lighting. Compatible with most lamps using incandescent light bulbs up to 300 watts. Never use the signaler with a fluorescent light.

Average cost of item: \$40

Available for short-term loan



Sonic Baby Cry Signaler

The Sonic Baby Cry Signaler, model BC400, is a small adjustable listener that immediately alerts you when your baby starts crying. The BC400 has an adjustable sensitivity control that can be set to alert you to sounds as soft as a baby's whisper. The BC400 simply plugs into any outlet in the baby's room. Your baby will not be disturbed because no lamp flashes in the baby's room. The Sonic Baby Cry Signaler is completely wireless. When your baby cries, the BC400 sends a signal over your home's electrical system to remote receivers. You can rest assured that you will always know when your baby is crying and needs you. The Sonic Baby Cry Signaler also has a built-in indicator light to show you it's working. Please remember you need to use at least one remote receiver with the Sonic Baby Cry. The most popular receiver is our SB1000 alarm clock with built-in receiver.

Average cost of item: \$40

Available for short-term loan



Assistive listening systems

Assistive listening systems, also known as personal listening systems, are designed to provide individuals with the ability to hear more clearly in a variety of situations, including one-on-one conversations or in small group settings, at church, in a noisy restaurant or other public areas where additional amplification is needed.

It can be hard to determine which assistive listening device best accommodates your hearing or works in your environment. Therefore, it may be useful to schedule a free demonstration with an ATI specialist to learn more about the devices and determine which style works best with or without hearing aids.



Digital Personal FM System

Digi-wave Personal Communication System by Williams Sound is designed to reduce background noise and compensate for poor room acoustics or distance from the sound source. This makes it easier to hear in everyday situations.

*Average cost of item:
Cost varies depending on options
Available for short-term loan*

Pocketalker Ultra 2.0

Pocketalker Ultra is a one-piece personal amplification unit designed for individuals with or without hearing aids.

*Average cost of item: \$229
Available for short-term loan*



LoopHear Portable Amplified Loop System

This portable induction loop is designed to assist with communication between a speaker and an individual using T-coil hearing aids. Designed with an internal microphone, the induction loop picks up sound from approximately six feet away. It is designed for use in small meeting rooms and store service counters, and at reception areas.

Average cost of item: \$220

Available for short-term loan



Quattro TV and Audio Listening System

The Quattro Bluetooth neckloop allows individuals with T-coils hands-free two-way communication through their cellphone, home or office phone and two-way radios. When paired with the QLink Bluetooth Transmitter, individuals are linked with a variety of sound devices, such as computers, MP3 players, TVs and telephones.

Average cost of item: \$200

Available for short-term loan



Motiva Personal FM 330

Motiva™ features 16 channels on the 72–76 MHz frequency and has an operating range of up to 150 feet. A versatile 3.5mm jack allows for a variety of earphones and headphone options, and is neckloop/hearing aid compatible (not included with system). How the system works: The speaker talks into a lapel microphone plugged into a body-pack style transmitter. The transmitter broadcasts the speaker's message wireless up to 150 feet (45.7 m). Listeners wear a body-pack style receiver equipped with an earphone or headphone to pick up the speaker's broadcast. Individual volume controls on the receiver allow the listener to adjust the volume to meet his or her personal comfort level.

Average cost of item: \$440

Available for short-term loan



Motiva Personal FM 360

Designed by Williams Sound, the Motiva 360 has a range of up to 150 feet and has a versatile 3.5 mm jack to allow for use with a variety of earphones and headphones, as well as a neckloop. It is compatible with most T-coil hearing aids. The R36 receiver with this unit features a sensitive environmental microphone that allows the individual to listen to questions/conversations by nearby coworkers or classmates.

Average cost of item: \$600

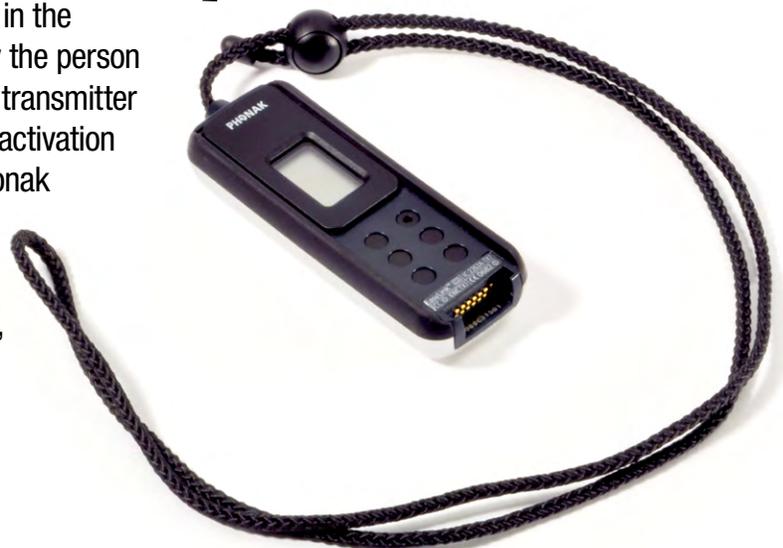
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EasyLink FM Transmitter

A discreet high performance radio microphone placed in the immediate vicinity of the sound source, either worn by the person speaking or simply held in the hand. This easy-to-use transmitter features one configurable microphone mode, a single activation button and an audio input. It is compatible with all Phonak FM receivers. One push of the button and the finely tuned internal microphones in EasyLink pick up sound at the source and deliver it directly to the iLinks or to any other Phonak FM receivers at the customers' ears. The fixed lavalier cord antenna has an operating range up to 100 feet.

Average cost of item: \$704

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HEALTH

Medication reminders

Individuals looking for medication reminders have many options to consider, from simple medication organizers, to medication organizers with daily alarms and even locking medication dispensers.



MedCenter

The MedCenter is a monthly medication/vitamin organizer that can be purchased with a talking alarm clock that can be set with four daily alarms.

Average cost of item: Price start around \$75 depending on model

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CompuMed

The CompuMed is one example of a locked-epill automatic medication pill dispenser and reminder system. A pharmacist will typically fill the medication organization for individuals using this system. The tray is then inserted into the unit and locked, preventing accidental over usage. At the designated medication time, an auto or visual alert goes off, and the display screen prompts how the medication is supposed to be taken (i.e., with food, water, etc.). The dispenser unlocks, allowing the individual to take the appropriate medication.

Average cost of item:

Price varies depending on model

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