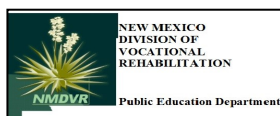


"ReBoot Your Life with Assistive Technology"

Hosted by: New Mexico Technology Assistance Program



Monday, August 3, 2015

AGENDA



CNM Workforce Training Center

MORNING Educational Sessions *(afternoon on back)*

TIME	ROOM	SESSION TITLE	PRESENTERS
8am - 9am		Registration & Continental Breakfast	
9am - 10:15am		Home Modifications for Individuals with Disabilities	Albert Deimer, Sue Haugen & Larry McCabe
9am - 10:15am		Augmentative & Alternative Communication (AAC) in the Classroom and Daily Life	Kindra Davis
9am - 10:15am		Master & Commander of Your Mobile Device	DJ Sanderson
9am - 10:15am		Plan to Achieve Self Support (PASS) to Obtain AT	Karen Wiley
10:30am - 11:45am		Assistive Technology is Key to Transition from School to Work and Higher Education	Glenn Damian
10:30am - 11:45am		Using Vocational Rehabilitation to Fund AT to Support a Work Goal	Mario Lucero
10:30am - 11:45am		Hear Better with Assistive Technology	Sam Martinez & Samuel Castillo
10:30am - 11:45am		Progress in the Arena of AT at CNM Community College	Meredith Daggett

EXHIBIT HALL

on the second floor

- take the elevator to connect to many AT resources *(end of the day prize drawing for visiting the exhibit booths—see card enclosed)*

More About the Sessions & Presenters:

Detailed descriptions about the Sessions & the Presenters, plus information about CEU's, starting on page 3 in this booklet

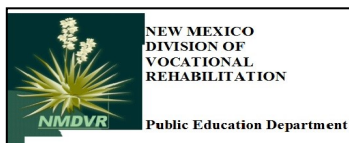


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Governor's Commission on Disability NMTAP—Annual AT Conference 2015 (ATC 15)

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AFTERNOON Educational Sessions *(morning on front)*

TIME	ROOM	SESSION TITLE	PRESENTERS
12pm - 1:15pm		KeyNote Speaker John Chimarusti PhD — Lunch	
1:30pm - 2:45pm		Home Modifications for Individuals with Disabilities	Albert Deimer, Sue Haugen & Larry McCabe
1:30pm - 2:45pm		Augmentative & Alternative Communication (AAC) in the Classroom and Daily Life	Kindra Davis
1:30pm - 2:45pm		Master & Commander of Your Mobile Device	DJ Sanderson
1:30pm - 2:45pm		Plan to Achieve Self Support (PASS) to Obtain AT	Karen Wiley
3pm - 4:15pm		Assistive Technology is Key to Transition from School to Work and Higher Education	Glenn Damian
3pm - 4:15pm		Using Vocational Rehabilitation to Fund AT to Support a Work Goal	Mario Lucero
3pm - 4:15pm		Progress in the Arena of AT at CNM Community College	Meredith Daggett
3pm - 4:30pm		Centennial Care coverage of Assistive Technology Panel Discussion with Q&A	Centennial Care Representatives

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Free WiFi available

Or you may access the Internet using the computers in the hall:

Login: xxxxxxxx Password: xxxxxxxx



Please Complete the Evaluation forms for the 4 sessions you attend as well as for the overall conference so we can best provide for your needs at our Spring 2016 AT Conference coming May 10 & 11, 2016!!



More About the Sessions & Presenters:

Educational Sessions 1.25 hours each

Access Home Modifications for Individuals with Disabilities

Examples of various home modifications will be presented and general information about the process for receiving services from Independent Living Resource Center Procurement program, including eligibility, application process and alternative funding sources.

Learning Objectives:

- To understand eligibility requirements and application process services from ILRC
- Possible home modification designs available to provide access
- Financial resources and limitations to obtain home modifications

Sue Haugen - Biography:

Sue has been employed at Independent Living Resource Center since March 1999 assisting consumers to obtain home modifications, vehicle modifications, equipment and/or other services to enable them to live independently. She also assists people who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing with accessing resources to enable them to live independently in the community. She has taught hearing and Deaf students at various levels from first grade to college level, worked as Rehabilitation Counselor for Deaf/Hard of Hearing Clients and as a free-lance ASL Interpreter. Sue has a BS in Elementary Education from the University of Maryland and a MS in Special Education, Deaf Education from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. She also has 16 hours of Community Counseling, University of Minnesota at Mankato.

Albert Deimer - Biography:

Albert has a Master of Architecture degree from UNM. He has been an Access Design Specialist for the Independent Living Resource Center for 20 years. His work includes the design, construction documentation, construction administration, project review during construction and the final review of completed projects for people with disabilities to have greater access in their homes. He has worked on several committees for affordable and accessible housing including integrating Universal Design Principals into Affordable New Residential Housing. Albert has additional volunteer involvement as a main judge in the Annual Parade of Homes for the Universal Design Category in the larger Albuquerque area.

Larry McCabe - Biography:

Larry is the primary contact at San Juan Center for Independence (SJCI) who reviews financial loan applications for persons with disabilities for accessible needs when there are no other options. He brings many years of experience and will share the process of accessing these loans from SJCI state-wide. The SJCI loan programs are part of the New Mexico Technology Assistance Program.

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SW — 5.5 CEU's for an additional fee of \$55

VRC: 5 CRC's if attending the entire conference
RID credits arranged in advance with Amanda Butrum

*** **All additional fees are by check or money order only & must be paid to the order of NE Regional Educational Cooperative please****



More About the Sessions & Presenters:

Using Vocational Rehabilitation to Fund AT to Support a Work Goal

More people with disabilities are in the workplace than ever before! That's the good news. The not-so-good news is that people with disabilities are not getting the accommodations they need to successfully maintain or gain employment. This session will discuss the needs of people with disabilities in the workplace and how they can acquire the assistive technology/accommodations they need to be successful.

Learning Objectives:

- The Rehab Act is a key AT funding source
- Learn the criteria for obtaining AT under the Rehab Act
- How can the Rehab Act's requirements be used to ensure people with disabilities have the AT they need to prepare them to enter competitive integrated employment.

Mario Lucero - Biography:

Mario has worked for NM State Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) since 2008 and was the AT Coordinator for many of those years. He has experience in navigating the VR system to evaluate for AT needs for successful employment as well as in procurement of the AT. As a wheelchair user, he also brings direct experience in the work place including use of Dragon Naturally Speaking and independently getting around using his adapted vehicle. He has a Master of Arts and a Bachelor of Business Administration from New Mexico Highlands University.

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Plan for Achieving Self-Support (PASS) to Obtain AT

Understanding how the Social Security work incentive, Plan for Achieving Self-Support (PASS) can be a resource to obtain AT for individuals with disabilities. Learn how to use a Social Security work incentive to help you return to work and obtain assistive technology. The workshop will help beneficiaries and support systems learn how to use earnings or other monies to obtain the assistive technology and still maintain SSI payments.

Learning Objectives:

- Understand how PASS can help get AT for work
- Know the eligibility requirements, how to complete and submit a PASS
- Develop a way a track a PASS
- Describe finer points of PASS and AT

Karen Wiley - Biography:

Karen Wiley works as a national recognized and certified Benefits Advisor and Coordinator. She teaches on SSA employment supports including Ticket to Work. She received a MA in Counseling Psychology from ENMU, earned her LPCC and LADAC license, and worked eleven years as a therapist. She has worked 15 years at NM DVR.

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More About the Sessions & Presenters:

Master and Commander of Your Mobile Device

This is an informative presentation on how to use built-in accessibility options available for Windows 8.1, iOS and Android devices. How standard features and custom apps can be of value to persons with disabilities in work, school and life will be discussed. Also included will be some tips for staying safe from hackers, viruses and other technical savvy criminals.

Learning Objectives:

- Accessibility for Windows
- Accessibility for Android and iOS
- How to protect your information and device

DJ Sanderson - Biography:

DJ's love for computers started at age 3, but he says that's a really mushy story. He didn't start programming until age 8, when he developed his first loan calculator. Since then, he worked with many models and types of computerized systems. In the last few years, he has been working more with people who happen to have disabilities. He looks for options when considering people who have various levels of technology experience in relationship to what they need to accomplish using technology. He is CompTIA Network+ Certified, HTML I & II Certified and an Advanced Web Designer.

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Progress in the Arena of Adaptive Technology at CNM

This session will provide about 5 years history of CNM's Adaptive Technology (AT) program, discuss past and current adaptive technology developments and future directions as CNM works towards the application of Universal Design principles. Participants will be aware of the recent rapidly evolving and changing landscape where AT and universal design principles are applied.

Learning Objectives:

- To gain an understanding of the overall AT available at CNM.
- To gain an understanding of how students access and use services.
- Achieve an understanding of the correlation between CNM's adaptive technology and Universal Design strategies.

Meredith Daggett - Biography:

Meredith is the Assistive Technologist for the Disability Resource Center (DRC) at CNM. She worked at ENMU's Disability Service Office in Portales, NM from 1998 to 2006. After that, she and her husband moved to Albuquerque, NM where she worked for the School of Adult and General Education at CNM as the Testing Examiner. She is currently as Assistive Technologist at the DRC. She has a BS in Anthropology from ENMU in 1992 and has been the Assistive Technology specialist at CNM for the last four years. Her hands-on experience provides live expertise as well.

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More About the Sessions & Presenters:

Assistive Technology is Key to Transition from School to Work and Higher Education

This presentation will focus on providing assistive technology services within a life-span transition framework. For all of us, there are predictable crisis points where accommodations and supports may be needed to continue on a productive and fulfilling life journey. In the early years, adapting to the various levels of education - pre-school, elementary, middle, high and post-secondary, presents challenges to all, but they are greater for those with disabilities. The use of assistive technology can make transitioning to the next level successful for those with limited hearing, vision and mobility, communication barriers and difficulties reading and writing. Other transitions happen at unexpected times in life. The onset of disability is a transformative event with a range of possible outcomes. Skillfully applied assistive technology, with support, can greatly enhance the chances for success in training, employment and independent living.

Learning Objectives:

- Overview evaluation and assessment for children and adults with disabilities in transition, including AT observation, targeted assessment, evaluation, use of related existing assessments, & vocational evaluation.
- Establish training and support plans using data-based-decision making in a response to intervention (RtI) framework.
- Review key AT applications and accommodations for children and adults with disabilities to assist in traversing specific transition points.

Glenn Damian - Biography:

Glenn Damian is Program Director for the NEREC Transition and Assistive Technology Center, a joint program of NEREC and NMHU at New Mexico Highlands University. He is an Assistive Technology and Vocational Evaluator with 25 years' experience in vocational rehabilitation, special education and transition. He is also the point person of the partnership with GCD/NMTAP providing device loans, demonstrations and training in the northern rural part of NM. Glenn has a BA in Vocational Counseling and a MPA (Masters of Public Affairs) in technology.

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Centennial Care Providers' Panel Discussion

This panel of Centennial Care Managed Care Organization (MCO) representatives will cover the regulations and guidelines in each MCO plan for obtaining AT devices for hearing, vision, speech communication, and learning and cognition needs. They will also discuss coverage for durable medical equipment and home modifications. Each representative will describe what is a qualified device or service and briefly outline the process in their healthcare coverage for a successful outcome. There will be time for questions and answers after each representative has provided information.

Learning Objectives:

- Understand coverage of AT by the four MCO Centennial Care health plans

MCO Panel:

Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Mexico
Molina Healthcare
Presbyterian Healthcare Services
United Healthcare

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More About the Sessions & Presenters:

Easy Integration of Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) into Classroom Activities and Activities of Daily Living

Sometimes AAC can feel intimidating; it doesn't have to be!!! With a few very quick and simple modifications, individuals with can be included in current activities without having to create new ones, increasing participation and success! Following this presentation you will be able to define and identify how core language can be beneficial, identify and use quick modifications to increase participation in current activities/curriculum, and list several examples of strategies that can be implemented to increase participation and success with AAC.

Learning Objectives:

- Use of core language to increase participation
- Quick and simple modifications to activities and/or teaching strategies
- Identification of strategies that have proven to be successful

Kindra Davis - Biography:

Kindra is a Speech-Language Pathologist working in private practice at Lifespan Therapy Services in Santa Fe, NM. She earned her Bachelor of Education in Communication Disorders from New Mexico State University in 2004 and her Master's of Science in Communication Disorders from Texas State University in 2008.

Kindra has had an interest in helping others communicate since childhood which contributes to her passion for individuals with complex communication needs. She has been evaluating, treating, as well as training and collaborating with professionals for individuals with a range of ability levels including complex communication and feeding needs for 8 years in a variety of settings from areas throughout Northern New Mexico and Central Texas. Kindra is a member of the American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA) and belongs to ASHA's Special Interest Group 12, Augmentative and Alternative Communication.

She is also a member of the United States Society of Augmentative and Alternative Communication (USSAAC). Kindra has completed extensive continuing education in the areas of AAC (100+ Hours) and feeding (75+ Hours) and has been awarded with the American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA) Award for Continuing Education (ACE) certificate. She is familiar with a wide range of communication equipment and has spent countless hours programming various high-tech, dynamic devices as well as training professionals and families on AAC system programming, use and integration into activities of daily living and school settings.

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More About the Sessions & Presenters:

Hear Better with Assistive Technology

Do you or someone you know struggle to hear the TV? Do you have difficulty hearing your friend, family member, co-workers or teachers? Do you miss people at your front door? Do you miss phone calls or talking on the telephone due to your hearing loss? We will show the types of assistive and telecommunications technology that can help you in school, work and your everyday life.

Learning Objectives:

- Learn about hearing loss
- Learn about different types of AT and how they can be used in different settings

Samuel Castillo - Biography:

Samuel is the AT Coordinator with Governor's Commission on Disability New Mexico Technology Program (NMTAP). He has worked with AT for over 10 years with a focus on hearing and vision loss and is a Certified Low Vision Software trainer. During that time, he has trained many people with disabilities on software and devices. Samuel currently conducts trainings and demonstrations on many different types of AT equipment and software throughout the state for professionals and people with disabilities. Samuel is currently majoring in Psychology at CNM Community College.

Sam Martinez- Biography:

Sam is the Interim Director Telecommunications and Technical Assistance Program with the New Mexico Commission for Deaf and Hard of Hearing (NMCDHH). He understands the ins and outs of AT that applies to the work he currently does at NMCDHH. He previously held the positions of Telecommunication Equipment Distribution Specialist and Hard of Hearing Specialist. Sam currently serves as the Relay Administrator at NMCDHH with extensive experience in working with the Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Children of Deaf Adults (CODA) communities.

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