

SC Assistive Technology Expo

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2015

Thursday, March 26, 2015
9 am - 4 pm

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Exhibits and Workshops Showcasing Assistive
Technology for People of All Ages

**Brookland Banquet and
Conference Center**

1066 Sunset Boulevard
West Columbia, S.C. 29169

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Continuing education credits have been approved by AHEC for the following disciplines: Nursing, Social Work, Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists. Application has also been made for Early Intervention credits. Continuing education credits have also been submitted to ASHA.

*Sessions approved for credit by BabyNet

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Sponsored by the SC Assistive Technology Program, USC School of Medicine Center for Disability Resources, USC SOM Pediatrics, SC Developmental Disabilities Council, and Mid-Carolina Area Health Education Consortium.

South Carolina Assistive Technology Expo 2015

Registration Open: 9:00

Exhibits Open: 9:00

Exhibits Close: 4:00

Session I: 9:30 – 10:30

Assistive Robotics and Assistive Technology for the Aging Population. Current and future technology aids, such as robotics, home sensors and smart homes that help adults age-in-place successfully and maintain their independence. The importance of user-centered design and integrating simple, useful, user-friendly technology. Future directions in this field. Jenay Beer, USC

***Functional Communication Strategies for Individuals with Significant Disabilities.** How an integrated service delivery model can help facilitate more effective use of augmentative communication systems in the natural environment. Carrie Cruce, Greenville County Schools

Can Your Website Get You In Trouble? Legal basics of Web and IT Accessibility. Federal legal trends, South Carolina and regional initiatives. Robin Wheeler, SC Access to Justice, Janet Jendron, SCATP, Danny Bish, Clemson, CB Averitt, DeQue, Joy Kniskern, John Rempel, AccessGA

***Making Text Accessible for Individuals with Print Disabilities.** Various methods such as accessing digital text by converting text to MP3 files, computer accessibility options, text-to-speech, high-contrast options, enlarged text and more. Val Gioia, All for Access, Mike Leonard, EMC, Carolyn Phillips, GA Tools for Life

Session II: 11:30 – 12:30

***Common Accessibility Barriers that Prevent “Visitability.”** Ramps, bathrooms, doorways and other minor construction solutions that improve the visitability of homes, offices, churches for people with mobility, vision and hearing loss. Ed Keelen, EnableTech, Joe Anthony, SCVRD, Tuck Williams, Homeworks, Catherine Graham, SCATP, Roger Williams, SCDMH, Deaf Services

***Aided Language Stimulation: What, Why, & How.** What aided language stimulation (ALgS) means, why it is so important, how to implement it. Jennifer Tate, MUSC

***Creating Accessible Online Learning.** Meeting accessibility needs of students with a variety of disabilities, including learning disabilities ADHD, traumatic brain injury or psychological disabilities. Aisha Haynes, Clayton Copeland, USC

Ready to Launch. Strategies and tools to help young adults move from high school to “real life” at work, in higher education, and in the community. Programs such as The LIFE Program and Simply Home. Jason Ray, Simply Home, Jonathan Cruce, SCVRD, Carolyn Phillips, GA Tools for Life

Session III: 2:00 – 3:00

***It Takes a Village!** How can all of us better work together to improve equipment reuse activities in our state? How can we work together to address issues and challenges: transportation, storage, funding, equipment cleaning, repair, spare parts, finding volunteers? Come prepared for a great discussion, potential solutions, new collaborations. Janet Jendron, SCATP, Catherine Graham, SCATP, Kimberly Tissot, AbleSC, Julia Martinelli, AccessAbility, Sandy Hanebrink, Touch the Future, Sam Creech, Walton Options, Carolyn Phillips, GA Tools for Life, Peter Balsamo, Sertoma Club

Say What’s On Your Mind. Different ways for adults to connect with their families, friends and community regardless of communication difficulties. Melanie Perkins, Palmetto Health

Creating Accessible Documents. How making small changes make your digital information more accessible and usable by everyone. Best practices in accessible digital material design, examples of accessible and inaccessible documents. Demonstration of how assistive technology accesses documents, including the JAWS screen reader. Focus on most commonly used software programs, e.g., Microsoft Office programs, Adobe Acrobat & Adobe Reader, YouTube and other video providers. Learn how to step up with universal design and stay ahead. Dow Hammond, USC

***Free Resources for Individuals with Learning Differences.** Free resources for reading, math, writing, spelling, organization and more. Built-in accessibility features for computers and tablets. Madalina Tudora, SCDE

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