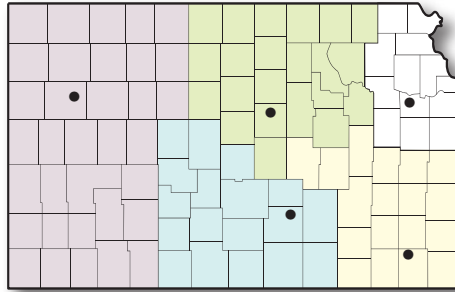


Assistive Technology for Kansans has five AT Access Sites statewide. To receive more information about available services, call our toll free number, **800.KAN.DO.IT (800.526.3648)** or visit **www.atk.ku.edu**. Calls are automatically routed to the office in your region. We work with persons with disabilities and their employers to find the best solution available for their needs.

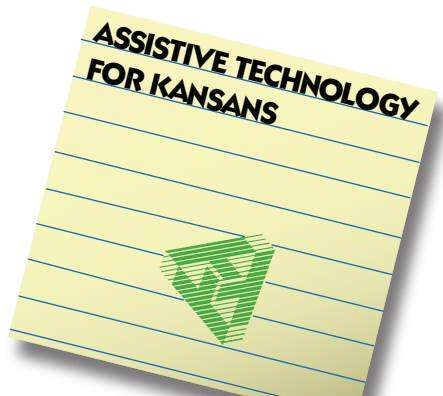


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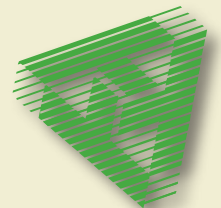


## Consultation, Evaluation, Training and Supporting Services



# Opportunity

**Employment and the Role of Assistive Technology For Kansans**





## Overview

**Assistive Technology Employment Services** Assistive Technology (AT) is any item, piece of equipment or product system that is used to increase, maintain or improve functional capabilities of individuals with disabilities and chronic health conditions. Assistive Technology can be used to assist some individuals with obtaining, retaining or regaining competitive employment.

**AT Consult** When an AT Consult is conducted, the deliverable outcome is a written individual assistive technology action plan. The plan includes vendor resources for the recommended AT equipment in the plan, plus bids on devices over \$1,999.

The AT action plan is developed through direct contact with both the person with disabilities and the employer. It includes an analysis of all available information and describes the steps, objectives and expected AT services and equipment needed to assist the individual in reaching his/her employment goals with anticipated time frames for completion of services. Action plans may include recommendations for evaluation, training and/or other AT services.



## Evaluation

**Basic Functional AT Evaluation** A basic evaluation assesses the impact of assistive technology and services on the individual in his/her customary environment. The Basic Functional AT Evaluation is conducted at an AT Access Site or a single on-site location and focuses on equipment within one or two AT categories. When appropriate, a hands-on demonstration of relevant AT device features or a demonstration of an advanced AT solution is included. Trial use of a recommended AT device may be required.

**Comprehensive Functional AT Evaluation** The Comprehensive Functional AT Evaluation expands the basic assessment to multiple AT needs and services and considers necessary work, school and home environments. This evaluation is required when the individual's needs are complex and/or the anticipated AT recommendations involve integrated applications or a complex device.

The Comprehensive AT Evaluation is conducted at multiple on-site locations. The evaluation may involve hands-on demonstration of recommended devices and may require input from two or more AT specialists.



## Training

**Basic AT Training** Basic AT Training is specific device training with measurable goals designed to achieve the identified employment goal of the individual with disabilities.

Basic AT Training is indicated for:

- Persons learning basic use and maintenance of an AT device or program.
- Persons learning a complex new device or program requiring at least two training sessions to use it effectively.
- Co-workers, family members, personal attendants or other support personnel who need training in the operation and maintenance of the device.
- Persons needing to tailor an existing AT solution to new employment demands.

**Comprehensive AT Training** Comprehensive AT Training is specific training with complex AT devices needed for employment. It includes measurable goals for increasing the expertise of individuals with disabilities with complex AT devices needed for employment.

Comprehensive AT Training is indicated for persons learning an integrated, complex AT solution and for AT training across multiple sessions. Persons with significant memory, organizational or other learning difficulties who are learning a more complex assistive technology device may require comprehensive training.



## Supporting Services

**Other Assistive Technology Services** Other AT Service delivery includes services that help individuals with disabilities achieve identified employment goals. This is a stand-alone service not included with any of the above assessment, evaluation or training services. For instance, reviewing changes in the work setting that require modification of existing AT solutions doesn't fit any of the consult, evaluation or training categories. Equipment setup that involves assembly, loading software and reviewing operation of the device, troubleshooting existing equipment, upgrading existing AT solutions and demonstrating new features are examples of other AT services.

