Autism Assistive Technology

The Utah Parent Center has additional information and resources on Assistive Technology for individuals with Autism and other disabilities on their Assistive Technology page.

Computer Center for Citizens with Disabilities Utah State Office of Rehabilitation for an office near you, call 866-454-8397. Website: https://jobs.utah.gov/usor/vr/services/ucat.html. If you are seeking a free consultation with UCAT, please fill out a referral form and email it to ucat@utah.gov. The fundamental goal of The Computer Center for Citizens with Disabilities is to help improve the lives of children and adults with disabilities by introducing them to the many ways in which computer technology can enhance their jobs, careers and education.

Utah Assistive Technology Foundation:, 6835 Old Main Hill Logan, UT 84322-6835 (800) 524-5152 Website: http://www.uatpat.org. The Utah Assistive Technology Foundation is a private, non-profit organization that works with Zion's Bank of Utah to provide low-interest loans to purchase assistive technology and telework devices. The UATF also offers small grants of $250 or less on a limited basis through non-federal funding to families who meet federal poverty guidelines. Their goal is to assist Utahns with disabilities by enhancing their independence, education, employment, and quality of life through assistive technology.

The Utah Assistive Technology Program is an initiative of the Center for Persons with Disabilities (CPD) at Utah State University. The UATP puts assistive technology (AT) into the hands of people in Utah who need it.

AT is any item, piece of equipment or product system, whether acquired commercially off the shelf, modified or customized, that is used to increase, maintain or improve functional capabilities of individuals with disabilities. AT is tools and resources used by individuals with disabilities to help improve their quality of life and increase their independence in education, employment and in community settings.

UATP serves individuals with disabilities of all ages in Utah and the intermountain region. It trains university students, parents, children with disabilities and professional service providers about AT and provides AT devices and services. UATP coordinates its services with community organizations and others who provide independence-related support to individuals with disabilities. It maintains a website,http://www.cpdusu.org/projects/uatp/ that offers resources and information about AT devices.

Services provided by the AT Lab include:
- Device demonstration and equipment lending
- Training on construction of simple, low-cost assistive devices

- Maintenance and repair of assistive technologies
- Training on adaptive computer technologies
- Development of prototype devices
- Wheelchair evaluation
- Communication device evaluation and training

Through the community-based Utah Assistive Technology Foundation (http://www.uatf.org), UATP supports two different state financing activities: (1) low interest loan and loan guarantee programs in conjunction with Zion's Bank and (2) an Access to Telework program in coordination with the same partners.

The UATP also assists individuals with disabilities to acquire AT through reutilization efforts by implementing the statewide Citizens Reutilizing Assistive Technology Equipment (CReATE) program. This occurs at its CReATE facility in Salt Lake City, in collaboration with the Utah Center for Assistive Technology, and at the AT Lab at USU. A current inventory list of AT devices available at the CReATE warehouse can be found at http://www.uatpat.org/create/.

UATP provides technical assistance to AT demonstration centers located in Centers on Independent Living (CILs) statewide and maintains a virtual network of these demonstration centers so consumers have a single point of contact to access AT devices and services in Utah. UATP also provides individuals with disabilities and service providers statewide with direct and indirect device demonstrations using a variety of distance education technologies.