

#### ABOUT WYOMING ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES (WATR):

Wyoming Assistive Technology Resources (WATR) is a program of Wyoming Institute for Disabilities (WIND) located at the University of Wyoming. As the designated Assistive Technology Act program, WATR is dedicated to providing evidence-based information about assistive technology to increase knowledge and to facilitate participation in life activities for individuals with disabilities. WATR's goals are to increase information about and access to assistive technology devices and services. Visit our website at www.uwyo.edu/wind/watr.

### WHAT IS ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY?

Assistive technology (AT) may be a device or solution that enhances an individual's ability to live, play, or work independently. AT can take the form of a device, tool, or adaptation that supports a person when participating in everyday activities and settings.

## WYOMING AT4ALL

Wyoming AT4ALL is a website that lists the assistive technology devices and WATR has available for loan, demonstration, or for reuse. Once you have set up an account, you can browse our equipment and view pictures and features of each item. Loan periods last six weeks and offer an opportunity to try devices so that educated decisions regarding future assistive technology device purchases may be made. For more information visit www.wy.at4all.com.



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for Families, Professionals, and Individuals with Disabilities

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### **DEVICE LIBRARY**

**DEVICE LOANS:** WATR's Device Loan Center offers a wide variety of assistive technology (AT) for Wyoming residents interested in borrowing a device. Loan periods are typically six weeks and offer borrowers the opportunity to trial devices to make an educated decision prior to a purchase.

**REUSE:** WATR's reuse program provides an opportunity to buy, donate, or sell lightly-used assistive technology at affordable prices. Sale profits allow WATR to buy, update, and maintain new devices.

See what we have for loan or reuse on Wyoming AT4ALL www.wy.at4all.com.

### INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE

WATR strives to raise public awareness about assistive technology resources and disabilities in general across Wyoming. WATR provides information regarding assistive technology devices and services, funding, and other disability-related topics by E-mail, to walk-in visitors, on our website, through our toll-free phone number, at disability conferences, and through our various publications.

#### TRAININGS

WATR offers a series of online assistive technology courses targeted to professionals who are interested in learning more about or improving their skills in assistive technology use and implementation. Students can earn 48 CEUs, 3 PTSB credits, or 3-University of Wyoming non-degree credits per course.

We also offer statewide training in the areas of AT. Our trainings and event page online has the most up to date information on WATR training opportunities.

WATR OPEN LAB: Open Lab is an opportunity for anyone to see assistive technology without an appointment available from WATR for short term Ioan. Explore AT through hands-on demonstrations and give the equipment a try; no appointment is necessary. The WATR Lab is located at: Intersection of 9th and Clark Streets in the University of Wyoming's Health Sciences building, room 151 in Laramie, WY.

For the most current Open Lab schedule and up-to-date information on WATR training opportunities, visit: uwvo.edu/wind/watr/training.

**ASSESSMENTS:** WATR offers fee-for-service assistive technology (AT) and augmentative alternative communication (AAC) assessments. An assessment is a collaborative process through which a support team or education team — perhaps including certified technology specialists and other related services professionals – identify technologies that can improve a person's performance, access, participation, and independence.

UW ECHO in AT builds capacity for assistive technology. Through ECHO technology, an interdisciplinary team of individuals working in education connect weekly to learn more about AT to apply in their schools and with their students.

(WYTAP): WYTAP is a financial loan program that offers interest buy-down for individuals who want to purchase assistive technology. Extended loan periods (up to 70 months) make it possible for people to buy the AT equipment they need through little-to-no-interest loans, thereby making payments more affordable. For more information visit: www.wilr.org.

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