# A Guide To

# ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY,

# **WHO**

Who Pays for Assistive Technology?

Funding sources vary for each person,
and may include:
Medicaid and Waivers
Medicare
Vocational Rehabilitation
Veteran's Administration

#### MHAT

What is Assistive Technology?

Assistive technology (AT) is any item, piece of equipment, software program, or product system that is used to increase, maintain, or improve the functional capabilities of individuals with disabilities.

## **WHERE**

Where Can Assistive Technology Be Used?



Home Work School In The Community Anywhere!

#### **WHEN**

When Can Assistive Technology Be Used?

Assistive Technology can be used anytime an individual needs support with communication, mobility, safety, learning, or daily tasks. Long term or short term!

## WHY

Why Consider Assistive Technology?

The goal of assistive technology is to enhance independence, improve quality of life, increase accessibility, and provide equal opportunities for individuals with disabilities.

#### HOW

**How To Start:** 

Consider Your Needs
Identify Your Funding Source
Talk with Your Provider
Complete an AT Assessment
Reach out to Local Resources for Assistance



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