

# PaTTAN Assistive Technology EXPO 2013

## Talking the Talk: Exploring Assistive Technology Features

**Tuesday, November 5, 2013**

**Four Points Sheraton Pittsburgh North, Mars, PA**

**Wednesday, November 6, 2013**

**Ramada Conference Center, State College, PA**

**Thursday, November 7, 2013**

**Radisson, Valley Forge, PA**

The Assistive Technology (AT) Expo provides educators, families, and service providers the opportunity to explore the features of a broad range of AT devices and software. Exhibitors include manufacturers of products for augmentative/alternative communication (AAC), alternative computer access (including products for students with blindness/low vision), as well as tools for supporting students who struggle with reading and writing at *a//* levels. Consultants will be on hand to answer questions and provide insight into AT products and features, including powerful solutions for increasing participation and academic achievement for students with disabilities.

### AT Expo 2013 Presentations

In addition to presentations by AT Exhibitors, multiple concurrent PaTTAN sessions will explore features of AT devices, software, and/or mobile apps, so that team members are better able to make decisions for students who need AT.

#### PaTTAN Session 1

*Augmentative/Alternative Communication (AAC): Exploring Features for Students with Complex Communication Needs*

#### PaTTAN Session 2

*AT to Support Reading and Writing: Exploring Features for Struggling Students*

#### PaTTAN Session 3

*Exploring Features of AT for Students with Blindness/Low Vision*

#### PaTTAN Session 4

*AT for Students with Complex Instructional Needs: Exploring Tools for Access to Standards-aligned Instruction*

### Audience

Parents; teachers; speech and language clinicians; audiologists; occupational and physical therapists; higher education students and faculty; infant/ toddler and preschool early intervention staff and providers; teachers of visually impaired including deaf-blindness; paraprofessionals; service coordinators; and administrators

### Learning Outcomes:

Participants will demonstrate skills to:

- Identify software and devices with text-to-speech features for accessing text and other instructional materials
- Locate AT resources for providing access to standards-aligned instruction
- Identify and compare access and vocabulary features of speech generating AAC devices

EXPO Vendors –

**Financial Disclosure:** Employee or contracted by assistive technology company. Presenters receive no reimbursement for presentation.

**Non-Financial Disclosure:** Nothing to disclose.

### Agenda

8:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

9:00 am. - 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

12:15 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m.-2:30p.m.

2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

Registration Opens

Exhibit Hall Open

PaTTAN Presentations:

*Sessions 1, 2, and 3*

Exhibit Hall Learning Opportunities

Concurrent Product

Presentations by AT Exhibitors

Lunch (on your own)

PaTTAN Presentations:

*Sessions 1, 2, and 4*

Exhibit Hall Learning Opportunities

Concurrent Product

Presentations by AT Exhibitors

Event Closes

## Participating Exhibitors (partial listing)

**AbleNet • Adaptation • Augmentative Communication Consultants Inc. • Braille Depot • BrainSTEPS Program • Crick Software • Don Johnston • DynaVox Mayer-Johnson • Enhanced Vision • Enabling Technologies • Eschenbach Optik • Freedom Scientific • GW Micro • HIMS • HumanWare • Kurzweil/Intellitools • LC Technologies/Eyegaze Systems • Lightspeed Technologies • PaTTAN / EITA • PIAT • Prentke Romich Co. (PRC) • ProxTalker • Sage Vision • Saltillo Corp. • Semantic Compaction • Texthelp • Tobi ATI**

### ASHA Disclosure Statement:

Each presenter who represents an exhibitor will adhere to the following requirements: Products, equipment or devices used in conducting the course will not be sold or marketed as part of the instructional portion of the CE course. Promotional activities, such as exhibits, commercial presentations, and printed or electronic advertisements, are prohibited in the physical or virtual location where CE courses are conducted. Likewise, promotional activities are prohibited as part of the instructional portion of CE courses.

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Completed Disclosure Statements from each presenter are attached.

## Act 48 Credits



Individuals attending this event must arrive on time and stay the duration of the event to receive Act 48 Professional Education hours. Requests for exceptions must be brought to the attention of the individual's Superintendent or IU Director prior to the event. **Up to 5 Act 48 hours are offered for this event.**

**A minimum of 2 hours must be earned in order to obtain credit.**

To ensure that your Act 48 hours are correctly reported to PDE, please provide your seven-digit Professional Personnel Identification (PPID) number when completing your registration. If you do not know your PPID, please visit PDE's Professional Education Record Management System at: <https://www.perms.ed.state.pa.us/Screens/wfPublicAccess.aspx>.

## Other Continuing Education Credits



**PA Training and Technical Assistance Network** is approved by the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to provide continuing education activities in speech-

language pathology and audiology. **See course information for number of ASHA CEUs, instructional level and content area.** ASHA CE Provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products or clinical procedures.

This course is offered for up to .5 ASHA CEUs (**Advanced level, Professional area**).

**Paraprofessionals** may register to receive up to 5 in-service instructional hours for attending this event.

**Infant Toddler Training Hours**  
**Up to 5**

*In order to meet annual in-service training hours required by the bureau of Early Intervention Services, Office of Child Development and Early Learning, staff who work in Early Intervention may sign up for Infant Toddler Training Hours.*



Academy for Certification of Vision Rehabilitation and Education Professionals (ACVREP) - The Academy for Certification of Vision Rehabilitation and Education Professionals (ACVREP) is an independent and autonomous legal certification

body governed by a volunteer Board of Directors which offers professional certification for vision rehabilitation and education professionals in order to improve service delivery to persons with vision impairments. PaTTAN is registering to become an approved provider of ACVREP continuing education hours. Visit the ACVREP web page for more information, <http://www.acvrep.org>. This course is offered for up to 5 ACVREP CE's.

## Registration

Please register for this event by visiting our homepage at [www.pattan.net](http://www.pattan.net). Online registration enables you to receive registration confirmation via email, keep track of professional development activities with the transcript feature, and view other available activities.

**Registration Deadline: October 24, 2013**

**Walk-ins welcome!**

**No registration fee will be charged.**

**For registration information, contact:** Cathy Pfanders

800-441-3215, ext. 7217, [cpfanders@pattan.net](mailto:cpfanders@pattan.net)

**For content information contact:** Susan Gill, 800-441-3215, ext. 7264, [sgill@pattan.net](mailto:sgill@pattan.net)

You may download this brochure, driving directions to each site and more information on the EXPO on the Training Calendar on the PaTTAN website, [www.pattan.net](http://www.pattan.net).

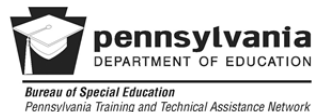
## Special Needs

Reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate individuals who have special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act and who need assistance at this event.

To receive information "tweets" about upcoming training, new publications, and other special education news, go to the PaTTAN website and click the link to Follow PaTTAN on Twitter!



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**DIRECTIONS TO Four Points by Sheraton Pittsburgh North, 910 Sheraton Drive, Mars, Pennsylvania 16046**  
(724) 776-6900 [www.fourpoints.com/Pittsburgh](http://www.fourpoints.com/Pittsburgh)

**From the Pennsylvania Turnpike**

Take to Exit 28 (Cranberry). Take Route 19 South to the first intersection, Turn left onto Freeport Road. At the first intersection, turn right onto Sheraton Drive.

**From North**

Take I-79 South to Exit 78. Exit right to the first intersection and turn left. Take Route 19 South and travel .5 miles to the 3rd light. Turn left on Freeport Road. Proceed one block to the intersection and turn right onto Sheraton Drive.

**From South**

PA-21 W / E Roy Furman Hwy; Take ramp right for I-79 North toward Washington Pa; Take ramp left for I-79 North / I-70 West toward Washington Pa; At exit 18, take ramp right for I-79 North toward Pittsburgh; At exit 76, take ramp left for US-19 North toward Cranberry; Turn right onto Freeport Rd; Turn right onto Sheraton Drive.

**DIRECTIONS TO RAMADA INN and CONFERENCE CENTER, 1450 S. Atherton St., State College, PA 16801**  
814-238-3001 [www.ramadasc.com](http://www.ramadasc.com)

**From the East**

From I-80 to Exit 161 (Bellefonte), follow PA Rte. 26 South. Rte. 26 South turns into Rte. 220 South. Stay on 220 South for 13 miles, then take Exit 74 on the left (puts you on Park Ave.) Stay on Park Ave. until you get to Beaver Stadium (on your left.) Turn left onto University Drive until it intersects with Atherton St. (Business Rte. 322). Turn right at the light, and the Ramada is approximately 1/4 mile on the left.

**From the West**

Take I-322E/I-99 to Rte. 322 Business/Atherton Street. Hotel is 6 miles ahead, on Atherton St.

**From Harrisburg**

Follow signs to Route 22/322 West, past Lewistown  
Proceed to the Boalsburg exit (also Business Rte. 322)  
Go approximately four miles, Ramada is located on the left.

**DIRECTIONS TO RADISSON VALLEY FORGE, 1160 First Ave, King of Prussia, PA 19406**  
610-337-2000 [www.radisson.com/kingofprussia](http://www.radisson.com/kingofprussia) (Expo is on the Radisson hotel side)

**From Philadelphia and East**

Take I-76 West to Exit 327 (Mall Blvd.). Bear right at the light onto Mall Blvd. Turn right at 2nd light onto North Gulph Rd. and proceed to First Ave. Cross First Avenue and immediately turn into the parking lot on the right.

**From PA Turnpike**

Take the PA Turnpike (I-276/I-76) to Exit 326 – STAY TO THE RIGHT. Proceed through the tollbooth and take the 1st RAMP, exit 327, which is North Gulph Rd. Proceed through several lights. Cross over First Avenue and immediately turn right into the parking lot.

**From I-476 and North**

Take I-476 North to PA Turnpike/NE Extension). Take I-276 West to Exit 327 (Mall Blvd.). FOLLOW DIRECTIONS FROM PA TURNPIKE, ABOVE.

**From the North (Norristown area)**

Take Route 202 South past the King of Prussia Mall. Make a right onto North Gulph Rd. Proceed to the 8th light (First Avenue). Cross First Ave. and immediately turn into the parking lot on the right.

**From the South: (West Chester area)**

Take 202 North toward King of Prussia. At the first traffic light (North Gulph Rd.) turn left. Proceed to the 8th light (First Ave). Cross First Ave. and immediately turn into the parking lot on the right.

**From the West - (Lancaster/Pottstown area)**

Take Route 422 East to the First Avenue Exit (one after Valley Forge Park/ Route 23 exit). Turn left at the traffic light, then right into the parking lot.

Company Name	Representative	Rep Email address	Presentation	Financial	Non-Financial
1. AbleNet	Mary Sagstetter	<a href="mailto:msagstetter@ablenetinc.com">msagstetter@ablenetinc.com</a>	AbleNet AAC: The Easy-tech to Mid-tech Features	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose
2. Adaptivation, Inc.	Lori Dahlquist, Speech Therapist	<a href="mailto:lori@adaptivation.com">lori@adaptivation.com</a>	Technology features found in devices not exclusive to Adaptivation, Inc.	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose
3. Augmentative Communication Consultants, Inc.(ACCI)	Karen Boros, sales rep	<a href="mailto:acci1@earthlink.net">acci1@earthlink.net</a>	ACCI Choice Communicator Package	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose
	Mildred Telega, Owner of ACCI & developer	<a href="mailto:Acci1@earthlink.net">Acci1@earthlink.net</a>	ACCI Choice Communicator Package	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose
4. DynaVox Mayer-Johnson	Marleah Herman-Umpleby & Stephanie Ekis	<a href="mailto:emilie.gravett@dynavoxtech.com">emilie.gravett@dynavoxtech.com</a>	The New Dynavox Compass: Navigating an Inn Dir for AAC	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose
5. Don Johnston, Inc.	Beth Kalish	<a href="mailto:bkalish@donjohnston.com">bkalish@donjohnston.com</a>	Co-Writer 7, First Author, Snap & Read, and more	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose
6. GW Micro	Daniel Weirich	<a href="mailto:sue@gwmicro.com">sue@gwmicro.com</a>	What's New with GW Micro?	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose
7. HIMS, Inc.	Andy Leach	<a href="mailto:april@hims-inc.com">april@hims-inc.com</a>	The Braille Sense, The iPad and the Classroom	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose
8. Kurzweil - IntelliTools	Ed Smith, Outside Sales Rep	<a href="mailto:ed.smith@cambiumtech.com">ed.smith@cambiumtech.com</a>	Kurzweil 3000/firefly and Classroom Suite	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose
9. LC Technologies/Eyegaze Systems	Nancy Cleveland, RN, BSN & Tony Cox	<a href="mailto:nancy@eyegaze.com">nancy@eyegaze.com</a>	Eyegaze Edge (11/7/13)	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose
10. Semantic Compaction Systems	Deborah Witkowski	<a href="mailto:minspeak@minspeak.com">minspeak@minspeak.com</a>	Using Core Vocabulary and Bloom's Taxonomy to Increase Curriculum Success	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose
11. Texthelp Inc.	Jeff Greaves, Territory Sales Director	<a href="mailto:j.greaves@texthelp.com">j.greaves@texthelp.com</a>	Read & Write for Google	Nothing to disclose	Nothing to disclose