## **Kennedy Krieger Institute**

Assistive Technology (AT) and Disability: Join Us to Learn About the Maryland Technology Assistance Program (MD TAP) and How to Best Use AT to Support People with Disabilities





Lori Markland, MFA, is the Executive Director of the Maryland Department of Disabilities, Assistive Technology Program. Click to learn more.

an Assistive Technology Specialist with the Maryland Lauren Tooley, MS, CCC-SLP, is the Manager of Assistive Technology Clinic at Kennedy Krieger Institute. Click to learn more.

Date: Thursday, July 8, 2021 Time: 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Cost: Free but registration is required Where: Live Interactive Webinar Registered participants will receive an e-mail with instructions on how to join

the session.

Assistance Technology Program. Learning Objectives: Participants will be able to:

- 1. See and learn about some of the newest AT on the market from AT specialists.
- 2. Learn from a speech-language pathology expert on how Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) strategies may assist with improving communication and help children and adults with disabilities to enjoy many of the same activities as their peers.
- 3. Learn about AT services, financial loan programs and the loan application process.
- 4. Learn about available AT program resources and how to best advocate for their use at home, school and agencies, and in the community.

Technologies play an essential role in our everyday life, and for individuals with disabilities, they help increase their independence and capacity to engage fully in daily activities, and in academic and vocational programs. With technological advances, many assistive technology (AT) devices and services are now available to assist individuals with disabilities in overcoming the challenges that largely result from difficulties in acquiring the requisite skills needed to perform a particular task. This workshop will offer participants the opportunity to see and learn about some of the newest AT on the market, and how Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) strategies may assist with improving communication and help children and adults with disabilities to enjoy many of the same activities as their peers and remove barriers associated with task performance. Participants will also learn about AT services, financial loan programs and the loan application process, and how to advocate for AT use at home, school and agencies, and in the community. Instructional Level: Introductory

Who Should Attend? Community living providers, Educators and other school support staff, Employment providers, Health, Allied health or rehabilitation professionals, Nurses and other medical staff, Individuals with disabilities, Occupational therapists, Parents, Caregivers, Family members, Physical therapists, Speech/language therapists, Students, Technology service providers, Other community members and providers. To Register, Click or Call 443-923-9555

## Free session but registration is required. Register early, as space is limited!

For more information on our Summer Learning Series or to request accommodation or assistance for individuals with disabilities, please contact us by phone at 443-923-9555, email Training.MCDD@KennedyKrieger.org, or visit MCDD.KennedyKrieger.org. Requests should be made as soon as possible but at least seven days prior to the scheduled meeting.



Maryland Center for Developmental Disabilities at Kennedy Krieger Institute Building Partnerships. Changing Lives.

Denise Barton Schuler, MS, is