ABOUT STAR: ALABAMA'S ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE

Device Reutilization

Three Reutilization Centers can help you acquire no-cost assistive technology and durable medical equipment. The centers – located in Anniston, Huntsville, and Mobile – accept donations from family members, advocates and individuals with disabilities. These donations are repaired, cleaned and inventoried. Inventory lists are updated monthly and can be found on the STAR website. Anyone interested or in need of the items on the inventory list need only contact the center where the item is located.

Device Demonstrations and Short-Term Loans

If you are unsure of the device that meets your needs and have limited resources, the short-term device loan and/or the device demonstration programs available at 28 locations statewide can help.

Device Demonstrations can be scheduled just for you, teams of your service providers or for your family members or caregivers – any setting that will help in exploring various assistive technology devices.

The Short-term Loan Program is a "try-before-you-buy" program that allows you to borrow a piece of equipment for up to two weeks. These short term loan period can help you and your service providers decide which device best meets your needs before using precious limited resources.

A complete list of the device demonstration and short-term loan sites is available by calling 1-800-STAR656 or on the STAR website, www.rehab.state.al.us/star.

Training and Technical Assistance

If you or your organization needs help finding appropriate resources or answering questions about assistive technology, STAR can help through Information and Referral Services. Call 1-800-STAR656 from anywhere in the state and you will be on your way getting answers.

STAR is dedicated to increasing awareness of and access to assistive technology. One of the ways this mission is achieved is through customized training tailored to the specific needs of organizations. Topics can range from a general overview of STAR/A.T. services and issues to more specialized subjects as they relate to A.T.

STAR is also committed to ongoing program evaluation and quality assurance. Customer Satisfaction and continued program development are an important component of STAR's mission. Customer feedback and input is valued and welcome--Satisfaction Surveys can be downloaded from the STAR website and faxed/mailed to our office.

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