**State of California**

**Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)**

**Assistive Technology Advisory Committee (ATAC) Meeting**

**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**

Tuesday, July 16, 2024, from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OPTIONS**

**In-Person Meeting Locations:**

Northern California

DOR Central Office

721 Capitol Mall, Room 301

Sacramento, CA 95814

Southern California

Service Center for Independent Life

107 South Spring Street

Claremont, CA 91711

**Join by Zoom:** <https://dor-ca-gov.zoom.us/j/83328897856?pwd=nWb07b47qLflO7Og3HFIwwz820jI7W.1>

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**Agenda**

*Please note*: Times are listed on the agenda items to assist attendees joining the meeting virtually and by telephone. The order and time estimates of agenda items are considered approximate and may be subject to change.

* + - 1. **Call to Order**

**(9:00 – 9:05am)**

Larry Grable, ATAC Chair

The Chair will bring the meeting and attendees to attention and call the meeting to order.

* + - 1. **Welcome and Introductions**

**(9:05 – 9:15am)**

Larry Grable, ATAC Chair

The Chair will welcome participants, review housekeeping notes, conduct a roll call of ATAC members, and establish a quorum.

* + - 1. **Review April 3 Meeting Minutes**

**(9:15 – 9:25am)**

Elizabeth Wood, AT Program Administrator

Revisit April 3 Meeting Minutes included in invitation packet, review contents, and vote on approval.

* + - 1. **Department of Rehabilitation Updates**

**(9:25 – 9:50am)**

Regina Cademarti, Chief of Independent Living

DOR Independent Living and Community Access Division (ILCAD) Deputy Director and Chief provide general updates from the Department of Rehabilitation, including any State, legislative, Independent Living, and employee updates, and introduce the new AT and VOP manager.

* + - 1. **Voice Options Program Report**

**(9:50 – 10:05am)**

Elizabeth Wood, AT Program Administrator

Provide a brief overview of the Voice Options Program, report out on current program data, and provide relevant updates and changes to the program.

* + - 1. **Ability Tools Report**

**(10:05 – 10:35am)**

Kathrine Crowley, Deputy Director

CFILC’s Deputy Director will provide an overview of Ability Tools work, provide quarterly reporting updates, address current organizational efforts, and discuss future plans.

* + - 1. **AT Program Updates**

**(10:35 – 10:50am)**

Elizabeth Wood, AT Program Administrator

Provide a status update for the Assistive Technology Program, review Bagley Keene expectations, and address ATAC member recruitment.

* + - 1. **Service Center for Independent Life Presentation**

**(10:50 – 11:20am)**

Gina Hernandez, Talking Fingers Braille Program Manager

Independent Living Center, Service Center for Independent Life, will discuss and provide a demonstration of a blind/low vision AT program and a food pantry program performed in house.

* + - 1. **Assistive Technology Program Request for Interest Follow-Up**

**(11:20 – 11:35am)**

Elizabeth Wood, AT Program Administrator

Provide a summary of the AT Program Request for Interest results and allow committee members and any member of the public to provide feedback, questions, and concerns.

* + - 1. **Committee and respective community updates**

**(11:35 – 11:50am)**

Larry Grable, ATAC Chair

ATAC Chair will invite Committee members to share updates about their communities and related efforts. Members are encouraged to discuss any projects or initiatives they are working on.

* + - 1. **Public Comment**

**(11:50am – 12:00pm)**

Members of the public are invited to share comments, questions, or concerns to the AT Advisory Committee.

* + - 1. **Call for a motion to adjourn**

**(12:00pm)**

Larry Grable, ATAC Chair

ATAC Chair will conclude the meeting and will call for a vote to adjourn.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comment relating to a specific agenda item will be taken at the end of the applicable agenda item or prior to a vote. Public comments on matters not on the agenda are taken at the beginning of the meeting. A speaker will have up to three minutes to make public comments and may not relinquish their time allotment to another speaker. Non-English speakers who utilize translators to make public comment will be allotted no more than six minutes unless they utilize simultaneous translation equipment. The ATAC is precluded from discussing matters not on the agenda; however, ATAC members may ask questions for clarification purposes.

**MEETING MATERIALS:** This Meeting Notice and Agenda and any supplemental meeting materials may be accessed at the following website address: <http://www.dor.ca.gov/boards-and-committees/ATAC>

**REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS:** ASL Interpreters and live captioning will be made available. An in-person ASL interpreter will be onsite at the DOR Central Office in Sacramento. Should you require additional accommodations, please contact Elizabeth Wood at Elizabeth.Wood@dor.ca.gov.

Providing your accommodation request at least **seven (7)** business days before the meeting will help ensure availability of the requested accommodation. Any requests received after this date will be given prompt consideration, but logistical constraints may not allow for their fulfillment.

**Committee Members**

* Larry Grable, Chair
* Kathleen Barajas, Vice Chair
* April Shin
* Brent Jolley
* Sandee Nieves
* Gloria Cervantes
* Keith Ellis
* NickoleRenee Mensch

**Department of Rehabilitation**

* Ana Acton, Deputy Director, Independent Living Community Access Division
* Regina Cademarti, Chief, Independent Living Assistive Technology Section (Ex-Officio Committee Member)
* Sheeyee Ntuj, Manager I, Assistive Technology and Voice Options Program
* Elizabeth Wood, Assistive Technology Program Administrator
* Maria Gonzalez, Office Technician

**California Foundation for Independent Living Centers (CFILC)**

* Brett Eisenberg, Executive Director
* Kathrine Crowley, Deputy Director (Ex-Officio Committee Member)