State of California

Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)

Assistive Technology Advisory Committee (ATAC) Meeting

Meeting Notice and Agenda

Wednesday, March 19, 2025, from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

# Public Participation Options

## In-Person

Department of Rehabilitation

721 Capitol Mall, Room 407

Sacramento, CA 95814

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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 estimate of agenda items are considered approximate and may be subject to change.

### Call to Order

(1:00 – 1:05pm)

Larry Grable, ATAC Chair

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

### Welcome and Introductions

(1:05 – 1:15pm)

Larry Grable, ATAC Chair

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

### Review April 3 Meeting Minutes

(1:15 – 1:20pm)

Elizabeth Wood, AT Program Administrator

Carryover from previous meeting; revisit April 3 Meeting Minutes included in invitation packet, review contents, and vote on approval.

### Review July 16 Meeting Minutes

(1:20 – 1:25pm)

Elizabeth Wood, AT Program Administrator

Carryover from previous meeting; revisit July 16 Meeting Minutes included in invitation packet, review contents, and vote on approval.

### Review October 22 Meeting Minutes

(1:25 – 1:30pm)

Elizabeth Wood, AT Program Administrator

Discuss October 22 Meeting Minutes included in invitation packet, review contents, and vote on approval.

### Department of Rehabilitation Updates

(1:30 – 1:45pm)

Sheeyee Ntuj, AT & VOP Program Manager

Assistive Technology and Voice Options Program Manager will provide general updates from the Department of Rehabilitation, including any State, legislative, Independent Living, and employee updates.

### Voice Options Program Report

(1:45 - 2:00pm)

Sheeyee Ntuj, AT & VOP Program Manager

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

### Ability Tools Report

(2:00 – 2:30pm)

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 plans.

### AT Program Updates

(2:30 – 2:45pm)

Elizabeth Wood, AT Program Administrator

Provide a status update for the Assistive Technology Program, discuss progress on RFP, and address ATAC membership.

### Assistive Technology Program Annual Progress Report (APR)

(2:45 – 3:00pm)

Elizabeth Wood, AT Program Administrator

Provide a summary of the 2024 Annual Progress Report, discuss content, and allow committee members and any member of the public to provide feedback.

### DOR’s Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Program

(3:00 – 3:30pm)

Tanya Thee, TBI Program Administrator

Provide information about Traumatic Brain Injury programs and services in California supported through DOR.

### Committee and respective community updates

(3:30 – 3:40pm)

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.

### Future Agenda Items

(3:40 – 3:50pm)

ATAC Members will recommend any future meeting agenda items to be covered at the next meeting.

### Public Comment

(3:50 – 4:00pm)

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

### Call for a motion to adjourn

(4:00pm)

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 on the [ATAC](http://www.dor.ca.gov/boards-and-committees/ATAC) website.

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##### Committee Members

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

##### Department of Rehabilitation Staff

* Monica Handley, Acting Chief, Independent Living and Assistive Technology Section
* Sheeyee Ntuj, Manager I, Assistive Technology and Voice Options Program
* Elizabeth Wood, Assistive Technology Program Administrator
* Tanya Thee, Traumatic Brain Injury 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)