

Supportive Technology Services

Through the Technology Forward Initiative, the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) will promote the use of *Supportive Technology*. People with disabilities will have an opportunity to use Supportive Technology to live more inclusive and independent lives.

Supportive Technology services offers individuals the opportunity to use Assistive Technology (AT) exclusively or in combination with Remote Supports & Monitoring (RSM) to maximize their potential.

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY (AT) SERVICES

- **Assistive technology consultation/evaluation** is a review of your wants and needs. This is done to identify what AT you could use. The evaluation will be completed by one or all of the following professionals:
 - A licensed professional including OT, PT, SLP
 - A certified AT Professional (ATP)

They will meet you in your home, workplace, or wherever you will use the AT.

- **Assistive technology devices** are the equipment or devices recommended through the AT evaluation. DDS covers the cost if you cannot afford, or if the item is not insurance billable.
- **Assistive technology support** is the set-up of AT equipment, education, and training to help you use assistive technology.

What is 
Assistive Technology (AT)

Any piece of equipment or device used to improve the capabilities of people with disabilities.



ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY CENTERS

Services offered include but not limited to:

- Seating and mobility assessments and clinic
- Home safety evaluations
- Adaptive equipment modification and fabrication
- 3D printing
- Wheelchair repair and modifications
- Adaptive clothing design and creation
- Adaptive equipment design

AT Center Locations

Northeast Region

450 Maple Street
Danvers, MA 01937

Southeast Region

131 Emerald Street
Wrentham, MA 02093

Central West Region

15 Atwood Drive
Northampton, MA 01060

324 Clark Street
Worcester, MA 01606

REMOTE SUPPORTS & MONITORING SERVICES

Remote Supports and Monitoring (RSM) is a new service. You use a tablet, laptop, or other device to communicate with a staff person when you want. You can get support to work towards your goals. Staff can also respond to your safety needs when needed.

This service will allow you to be more independent.



GETTING STARTED

Do you want to live more independently or not have to rely on someone else to do something for you?

TALK WITH YOUR SERVICE COORDINATOR. Ask about how Assistive Technology (AT) and Remote Supports and Monitoring (RSM) can help you.

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