



Assistive Technology Inventor Resource Guide

Are you an Assistive Technology inventor, or know someone who is? The below organizations are for people inventing and developing Assistive Technology:

- **Assistive Technology Industry Association (ATIA)** - www.atia.org
ATIA is a not-for-profit membership organization of manufacturers, sellers and providers of technology-based assistive devices and/or services. The mission of ATIA is to serve as the collective voice of the assistive technology industry membership so that the best products and services are delivered to people with disabilities.
- **Assistive Technology Solutions (ATS)** - www.atsolutions.org
ATS is a community of people whose primary purpose is to enhance the availability of assistive technology devices. ATS creates an environment that fosters the innovation of new assistive technology. It archives and disseminates information, particularly engineering information and fabrication instructions sufficient to replicate assistive technology devices with local fabrication resources.
- **Center on Knowledge Translation for Technology Transfer's Chronological Guide for Inventors-**
<http://kt4tt.buffalo.edu/publications/IPM%20inventors%20guide%20final.pdf>
This guide takes you step by step through the invention process, with information about what you should do and when. The guide is part of a series on Intellectual Property, and was prepared by the University of Buffalo's Center for Assistive technology with funding from the U.S. government. For additional information, contact Joseph P. Lane, Director, at joelane@buffalo.edu.
- **Quirky-** www.quirky.com
Quirky crowdsources ideas for accessible inventions.

- **The Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program**- <https://www.sbir.gov>
SBIR program is a highly competitive program that encourages domestic small businesses to engage in Federal Research/Research and Development (R/R&D) that has the potential for commercialization. Through a competitive awards-based program, SBIR enables small businesses to explore their technological potential and provides the incentive to profit from its commercialization. By including qualified small businesses in the nation's R&D arena, high-tech innovation is stimulated and the United States gains entrepreneurial spirit as it meets its specific research and development needs.
- **The Center for Translation of Rehabilitation Engineering Advances and Technology (TREAT)** - www.simbex.com/TREAT/index.html
TREAT is the Center for the Translation of Rehabilitation Engineering Advances and Technology. TREAT focuses on technology transfer and comparative effectiveness research. TREAT is a multidisciplinary, multi-institutional, collaborative consortium between corporate, educational and non-profit entities providing infrastructure support and expert consultation to researchers and innovators interested in the translation and commercialization of rehabilitation research applications. TREAT offers pilot grants of up to \$20,000 to help in the development of assistive and rehabilitation technologies.

For questions or to add to this list, please email the RESNA Catalyst Project at info@resnacatalyst.org.

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