

WHAT IS AN ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY (AT) DEVICE?

Assistive Technology (AT) devices are tools and equipment that help your child with his/her developmental goals. AT devices range from low tech items, like picture or object communication systems, to high tech items, like activity chairs with attachments. They can include feeding or drinking aids, bath chairs, hearing aids, assistive toys and switches, communication devices, and orthotics.

AT devices do not include devices that are prescribed by a physician and are primarily medical in nature such as apnea monitors, feeding pumps, helmets, oxygen, and night splints.

DOES YOUR CHILD NEED AN ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY DEVICE?

If you believe your child needs an AT device for his/her development, contact your physician, health care provider, or the **Tennessee Early Intervention System (TEIS)** for an evaluation.

If your child is between the ages of 0-3 and requires an AT device for his/her development, you can request the device through **TEIS**. Children between the ages of 2 ½ and 3 years of age still must be considered for AT.

Contact TEIS at (800) 852-7157 or bit.ly/TNEarlyInterventionSystem

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DRT can provide information about AT and guidance for accessing AT devices and services.

Contact DRT at (800) 342-1660 or GetHelp@DisabilityRights.org

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