WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The goal of the conference is to bring together innovators, researchers, service and health care providers, technology developers, and end users to share their innovative ideas, products and needs.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Hear from expert panelists discussing current issues and needs that technology may address

See technologies currently on the market and prototypes in development

Network with researchers, service and health care providers, vendors and developers

Provide “voice of the customer” to researchers to improve their prototype designs

CONTACT

For more information about the conference, please visit www.rit.edu/access

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CONFERENCE AGENDA

8:30 am – 9:00 am
Registration, Networking, Continental Breakfast

9:00 am – 9:20 am
Welcome Conference Chair and Leadership

9:30 am
Posters and Exhibits Open

9:30 am – 10:10 am
Panel - Independent Living

10:30 am – 11:10 am
Panel - Government Funding and Legislation

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
Lunch and Keynote

1:15 pm – 2:15 pm
Innovative Access Tech Product Competition

2:30 pm – 3:10 pm
Panel - Healthcare

3:30 pm – 4:10 pm
Panel - Workplace Accommodations

4:30 pm – 5:00 pm
Awards Ceremony and Closing Remarks

INNOVATIVE ACCESS TECHNOLOGY PRODUCT COMPETITION

Inventors, entrepreneurs and students will pitch early-state ideas for an access technology product or service and have a chance to win $2,500. The top five submissions will be invited to present their idea at the conference on April 21st.

(Submission deadline March 21st)

RESEARCH at RIT
ABOUT

Accessibility is the idea of making things accessible to all people, no matter their abilities. How do we do this? One way is developing innovative technologies that provide greater access, break down barriers, and create new opportunities.

There is a wide range of technologies on the market, in development, or being investigated by researchers to benefit people with disabilities, including individuals who are Deaf or Hard of hearing, who are blind or visually impaired, or who have other sensory, motor, learning, or cognitive disabilities. This includes older adults who experience changes with aging, returning veterans, or people with chronic medical conditions.

Some examples of technology applications that enhance access that have been developed:

• Computer-based role playing for children with autism.
• A mobile stander for children with cerebral palsy.
• A navigation device to help people who are blind or with visual impairments.
• Captioning and communication technologies for people who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing.

Rochester Institute of Technology is just one of the many organizations seeking to provide accessibility through the application of technology. RIT faculty and student researchers want to share their work and meet others who are developing access technologies as well as service providers, users, and other stakeholders.

Please join us for the Effective Access Technology Conference on Friday, April 21, 2017 at the Gene Polisseni Center on the RIT Campus.

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4’ wide x 4’ high posters. (Poster stands and t-pins will be provided)

Poster presentations will be archived on the RIT Scholar Works Conference website for citation purposes.

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