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# Texas

# State Plan for Assistive Technology

# Federal Fiscal Years 2018-2020

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## Identification and Description of Lead Agency and Implementing Entity; Change in Lead Agency or Implementing Entity

Section 4(d)(2) of the AT Act requires that the State Plan contain information identifying and describing the Lead Agency and Implementing Entity (if applicable) designated by the state’s governor. A state either has a Lead Agency alone or has both a Lead Agency and an Implementing Entity. The Implementing Entity is a subcontractor separate from the Lead Agency who is responsible for implementing the State AT Program activities. The Lead Agency does not also name itself or a unit within the agency as the Implementing Entity.

If there is an Implementing Entity, section 4(d)(4)(B) requires that the State Plan include a description of the mechanisms established to ensure coordination of activities and collaboration between the Implementing Entity and the Lead Agency. If the governor chooses to re-designate the Lead Agency or Implementing Entity, section 4(c)(1)(C) requires that good cause for this change be shown in the State Plan, including why that previously designated agency or entity no longer should serve. If the Lead Agency or Implementing Entity is changing, the information provided in this State Plan should pertain to how the new agency or entity will conduct the Statewide AT Program. The following items are intended to satisfy the requirements just described.

### Identification & Description of Lead Agency and Implementing Entity

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Statewide AT Program (Information to be listed in national State AT Program Directory)** | |
| 1. State Program Title Texas Technology Access Program | |
| 2. State AT Program URL (home page for State AT Program) <https://techaccess.edb.utexas.edu/> \*will be changing to <https://ttap.disabilitystudies.utexas.edu> but that link is not live yet | |
| 3. Mailing address 10100 Burnet Rd., Blg 137, Suite 1.154, L4000 | 5. State Texas |
| 4. City Austin | 6. Zip code 78758 |
| 7. Main email address (for general public to use to contact State AT Program) [ttap@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:ttap@austin.utexas.edu) | |
| 8. Main phone number (for general public to use to contact State AT Program) 512-232-0571 | |
| 9. Separate TTY number (for general public to use to contact State AT Program) (512) 232-0762 | |
| **Lead Agency** | |
| 10. Agency name Texas Center for Disability Studies | |
| 11. Mailing address 10100 Burnet Rd., Blg 137, Suite 1.154, L4000 | 13. State Texas |
| 12. City Austin | 14. Zip code 78758 |
| 15. Lead Agency URL <https://disabilitystudies.utexas.edu/> | |
| **Implementing Entity** | |
| 16.Does your Lead Agency contract with an Implementing Entity to carry out the Statewide AT Program on its behalf? Yes  No  *If yes, complete Items 17–22.* | |
| 17. Name of Implementing Entity | |
| 18. Mailing address | 20. State |
| 19. City | 21. Zip code |
| 22. Implementing Entity URL | |
| **Program director and other contacts** | |
| 23. Program Director for State AT Program (last, first) Standridge, Angela | |
| 24. Title Director | |
| 25. Phone 512-232-0751 (office), 512-662-1815 (cell) | |
| 26. E-mail [astandridge@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:astandridge@austin.utexas.edu) | |
| 27. Primary Contact at the Lead Agency (last, first) Sharp, Amy | |
| 28. Title Director | |
| 29. Phone 512-232-0754 | |
| 30. E-mail [sharpamy@utexas.edu](mailto:sharpamy@utexas.edu) | |
| 31. Primary Contact at Implementing Entity (last, first) – If applicable | |
| 32. Title | |
| 33. Phone | |
| 34. E-mail | |
| **Person Responsible for completing this form if other than State AT Program Director** | |
| 34. Name (last, first) | |
| 35. Title | |
| 36. Phone | |
| 37. E-mail | |
| **Certifying Representative** | |
| 38. Name (last, first) Frazier Swaney, Courtney | |
| 39. Title Associate Director Office of Sponsored Projects | |
| 40. Phone 512-471-6231 | |
| 41. E-mail c\_frazier@austin.utexas.edu | |

### Change in Lead Agency or Implementing Entity

* + 1. **Describe the mechanisms established to ensure coordination of activities and collaboration between the Implementing Entity and the state if you have a designated Implementing Entity identified above.**

**N/A**

* + 1. **Is the Lead Agency named in this State Plan a new or different Lead Agency from the one designated by the Governor in your previous State Plan?**

**No**

**If you answered no to this question, and you do not use an Implementing Entity, you may skip ahead to the next section. Otherwise, you must answer the following questions.**

* + 1. **Explain why the Lead Agency previously designated by the Governor should not serve as the Lead Agency. Answer only if Question 2 above is yes.**
    2. **Explain why the Lead Agency newly designated by the Governor should serve as the Lead Agency. Answer only if Question 2 above is yes.**
    3. **Is the Implementing Entity named in this State Plan a new or different Implementing Entity from the one designated by the Governor in the previous State Plan?**

**N/A**

**If you answered no to this question, you may skip ahead to the next section. Otherwise, you must respond to Items 6 and 7 below.**

* + 1. **Explain why the Implementing Entity previously designated by the Governor should not serve as the Implementing Entity. Answer only if Question 5 above is yes.**
    2. **Explain why the Implementing Entity newly designated by the Governor should serve as the Implementing Entity. Answer only if Question 5 above is yes.**

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## Advisory Council, Budget Allocations and Actual Expenditures, and Identification of Activities Conducted

Section 4(c)(2) of the AT Act requires the Statewide AT Program to establish a consumer-majority advisory council that provides consumer-responsive, consumer-driven advice to the state for planning of, implementation of, and evaluation of the activities carried out through the grant, including setting measurable goals*.* Exceptions to these requirements are allowed under section 4(c)(2)(E) if the requirements will affect existing state statutes, rules, or official policies relating to advisory bodies or require changes to existing governing bodies of incorporated agencies. The following items provide assurances related to and identify compliance with the requirements of section 4(c)(2).

### Advisory Council

* + 1. **In accordance with section 4(c)(2) of the AT Act of 1998, as amended our state has a consumer-majority advisory council that provides consumer-responsive, consumer-driven advice to the state for planning of, implementation of, and evaluation of the activities carried out through the grant, including setting measurable goals. This advisory council is geographically representative of the State and reflects the diversity of the State with respect to race, ethnicity, and types of disabilities across the age span, and users of types of services that an individual with a disability may receive. Answer yes or no.**

**Yes**

* + 1. **The advisory council includes a representative of the designated State agency, as defined in section 7 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 705). Answer yes/no/NA.**

**Yes**

* + 1. **The advisory council includes a representative of the State agency for individuals who are blind (within the meaning of section 101 of that Act (29 U.S.C. 721)). Answer yes/no/NA.**

**Yes**

* + 1. **The advisory council includes a representative of a State center for independent living described in part C of title VII of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 796f et seq.). Answer yes/no/NA.**

**Yes**

* + 1. **The advisory council includes a representative of the State workforce development board established under section 101 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act). Answer yes/no/NA.**

**Yes**

* + 1. **The advisory council includes a representative of the State educational agency, as defined in section 9101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 as reauthorized. Answer yes/no/NA.**

**Yes**

* + 1. **The advisory council includes other representatives (list below).**

**N/A**

* + 1. **The advisory council includes a majority of individuals with disabilities that use assistive technology or their family members or guardians:**

**A. Enter the number of individuals with disabilities that use AT or their family members or guardians on the advisory council - 8**

**B. Enter the total number of individuals on the advisory council - 13**

**C. Calculate the percentage (divide A/B) – 61%**

* + 1. **If the Statewide AT Program does not have the composition and representation required under section 4(c)(2)(B), explain here.**

**N/A**

### Actual Expenditures and Budgeted Allocations

* + 1. **Actual Expenditures Carryover Year Close-out (annual update required-table reset)**

| **Actual Expenditures for Closed-out Carryover Year Award** | **Final Expenditures** | **Percentage** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **A. All State Level Activities** | **$ 624,415** | **63% A/E calculate- should > 60 %** |
| **B. All State Leadership Activities** | **$ 296,506**  **(296,506+61,998=358,504)** | **36% (358,504/ 982,921)B/E calculate –less than 40/30% required** |
| **C. Transition Training & Technical Assistance** | **$ 61,998** | **17% C/B calculate –**  **61,998/358,504**  **at least 5% required** |
| **D. Total Expenditures** | **$ 982,919** | **99.99% D/E calculate** |
| **E. Total Award** | **$ 982,921** | **100%** |
| **F. Lapsed Amount** | **$ 2**  **[E-D] calculate** | **<1% F/E calculate** |

* + 1. **Actual YTD Expenditures and Budgeted Allocations for Immediately Preceding Year Award (annual update required-table reset)**

| **Actual & Planned Immediately Preceding Year Award Expenditures** | **YTD Obligated not Liquidated Expenditures** | **YTD Liquidated Expenditures** | **Planned not yet Obligated Expenditures** | **Total** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **All State Level Activities** | **$ 50, 000** | **$ 88,929** | **$ 485,040** | **$ 623,969**  **(63%)** |
| **All State Leadership Activities** | **$ 94,763** | **$ 11,184** | **$ 236,053** | **$ 342,000**  **Note: $360 is the total amount for SLA (342,000=95%x360,000; 360,000/983969=36%; 342,000+18,000= 360,000)** |
| **Transition Training & Technical Assistance** | **$ 3,796** | **$ 1,782** | **$ 12,422** | **$ 18,000**  **(5% of 360,000 state leadership funds)** |
| **Total** | **$148,559** | **$101,895** | **$ 733,511** | 983,969 |

### Activities Conducted

* + 1. **State Level Activities Conducted and Program Structure**

| **AT Act State Level Activities** | **Activity Conducted?** | **Who conducts? State** | **Who conducts? Other** | **Who conducts? Both** | **Where conducted? Central** | **Where conducted? Regional** | **Where conducted? Both** | **Fee Charged** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **State Financing-Financial Loan** | Yes/No  **Yes** | **No** | **Easter Seals Austin** | **N/A** | **Yes** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **None** |
| **State Financing-Other that Directly Provides AT** | Yes/No  **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Financing-Other that Creates Savings for AT** | Yes/No  **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Reuse-Device Exchange** | Yes/No  **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Reuse-Device Open Ended Loan or Reassign** | Yes/No  **Yes** | **No** | **Project Mend and**  **Easter Seals** | **N/A** | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | **Project Mend: Sliding scale, insurance, other agency funding**  **Easter Seals- $120/computer or tablet** |
| **Device short-term loan** | Yes/No  **Yes** | **Yes** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | **No** |
| **Device demonstration** | Yes/No  **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **No** |

* + 1. **Comparability and Flexibility**

| **Comparability & Flexibility** | **Yes/No** | **State Level Activities** | **Not Performed Claiming --** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Financial Loan** | Yes | State Financing | Comparability/Flexibility (required if all 3 are No) |
| **Other State Financing that Directly Provides AT** | No | State Financing | Comparability/Flexibility (required if all 3 are No) |
| **Other State Financing that Creates Savings for AT** | No | State Financing | Comparability/Flexibility (required if all 3 are No) |
| **Device Exchange** | No | Reuse | Comparability/Flexibility (required if both are No) |
| **Device Reassignment or Open-Ended Loan** | Yes | Reuse | Comparability/Flexibility (required if both are No) |
| **Device short-term loan** | Yes | Short-term Loan | Comparability/Flexibility |
| **Device demonstration** | Yes | Demonstration | Comparability/Flexibility |

**Multiple Activity Item Instructions**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **Yes** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Easter Seals** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **No** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Private Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Other** *(describe)***Project Mend** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **No** |

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## State Financing Activities

The AT Act describes state financing activities as activities that increase:

“access to, and funding for, assistive technology devices and assistive technology services (which shall not include direct payment for such a device or service for an individual with a disability but may include support and administration of a program to provide such payment), including development of systems to provide and pay for such devices and services, for targeted individuals and entities described in section 3(16)(A), including—

1. support for the development of systems for the purchase, lease, or other acquisition of, or payment for, assistive technology devices and assistive technology services; or
2. support for the development of State-financed or privately financed alternative financing systems of subsidies (which may include conducting an initial 1-year feasibility study of, improving, administering, operating, providing capital for, or collaborating with an entity with respect to, such a system) for the provision of assistive technology devices, such as—
3. a low-interest loan fund;
4. an interest buy-down program;
5. a revolving loan fund;
6. a loan guarantee or insurance program;
7. a program providing for the purchase, lease, or other acquisition of assistive technology devices or assistive technology services; or
8. another mechanism that is approved by the Secretary.”

For the purposes of this State Plan, state financing activities include financial loan programs, programs that directly provide AT such as home modification programs, telecommunications distribution programs, and last resort funds, and programs that create savings for AT acquisition such as cooperative buying programs and AT leasing programs. Each of these activities is defined in the corresponding section of this State Plan.

Section 4(d)(5) of the AT Act requires that the State Plan include a description of how the Statewide AT Program will implement its State-level and State Leadership activities. Further, section 4(d)(4) requires that the State Plan describe how various public and private entities will be involved in the implementation of those activities, including a description of the nature and extent of resources that will be committed by public and private collaborators. Section 4(d)(7) also requires that the State Plan include a description of the State-level and State Leadership Activities the state will support with state funds. Section 4(e)(3)(B)(iii) requires that states coordinate and collaborate their State-level and State Leadership activities among public and private entities. The following items are intended to meet these requirements for State Financing Activities. Respond only to the items that correspond with the State Financing Activities selected in Section B of this Plan.

### Financial Loan Program -

* + 1. **If you conduct this activity through a formal written agreement, by providing financial support to other entities or by receiving financial support from other entities please identify that coordination and collaboration in the table below.**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Easter Seals** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **No** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Private Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Other** *(describe)* | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |

* + 1. **This activity offers the following types of assistance (identify all that apply).**
* **Revolving loans**
* **X Loan guarantees**
* **Interest buy-downs**
* **Combined loan guarantee and interest buy-down**
  + 1. **The lowest interest amount for loans as established by the policies of the activity (leave blank if NA). Provide a percentage in XX.XX% form. 0**
    2. **The highest interest amount for loans as established by the policies of the activity (leave blank if NA). Provide a percentage in XX.XX% form. 0**
    3. **The lowest loan amount provided as established by the policies of the activity (leave blank if N/A). Provide dollar amount. $120**
    4. **The highest loan amount provided as established by the policies of the activity (leave blank if N/A). Provide dollar amount. $120**
    5. **Describe the activity.**

Easter Seals manages the loan program and the costs are covered by the agreed upon contract amount of $125,000/year. This contract amount covers materials for refurbish, the salary percentage for the employee responsible and underwriting the loans. Consumers complete an application and are able to pay out the cost over time at $60 installments to reach the $120 cost of computer/tablet.

* + 1. **The online page for this specific activity can be found at:**

<https://www.easterseals.com/centraltx/shared-components/document-library/doubleclick-documents/double-click-application.pdf>

### Other State Financing Activities Directly Provide AT

* + 1. **If other state financing activities that directly provide AT are conducted through a formal written agreement, by providing financial support to other entities or by receiving financial support from other entities please identify that coordination and collaboration in the table below.**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Easter Seals** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Private Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Other** *(describe)* | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |

* + 1. **The following activities are conducted**

| **Activities** | **Check if Conducted** |
| --- | --- |
| **Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program (EDP)-State** | **Provided by another entity** <https://hhs.texas.gov/services/disability/deaf-hard-hearing/specialized-telecommunications-assistance-program-stap> |
| **Deaf/Blind Telecommunications EDP-Federal** | **Provided by other entities** <https://www.puc.texas.gov/relaytexas/Overview.aspx> and <http://www.icanconnect.org/how-to-apply/texas> |
| **Last Resort Fund** | **None, though Texas Medicaid does fund some types of AT** |
| **Home Modification Program** | **Provided via the CLASS program** <https://hhs.texas.gov/laws-regulations/handbooks/classpm/appendices/appendix-ii-minor-home-modification-services> |
| **Other** *(describe)* | **N/A** |

* + 1. **Describe the activity or activities.**

N/AOther state entities in Texas provide these services, or Texas does not provide them.

* + 1. **The online page (or pages) for this specific activity can be found at:**

We only have financing for the computer/tablet re-use program and it is administered through Easter Seals. Easter Seals Double Click application has the financing information on the application<https://www.easterseals.com/centraltx/our-programs/adult-services/community-housing-services/double-click-computer.html>

* + 1. **If other state financing activities that create AT savings are conducted through a formal written agreement, by providing financial support to other entities and/or by receiving financial support from other entities please identify that coordination and collaboration in the table below.**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Easter Seals** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Private Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Other** *(describe)* | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |

* + 1. **The following activities are conducted**

| **Activities** | **Check if Conducted** |
| --- | --- |
| **Cooperative Buying Program** |  |
| **AT Lease Program** |  |
| **AT Fabrication Program** |  |
| **Other** *(describe)* |  |

* + 1. **Describe the activity.**

**N/A**

* + 1. **The online page (or pages) for this specific activity can be found at:**

**N/A**

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## Device Reutilization Activities

The AT Act describes the State-level activity of device reutilization as follows:

“DEVICE REUTILIZATION PROGRAMS. —The State shall directly, or in collaboration with public or private entities, carry out assistive technology device reutilization programs that provide for the exchange, repair, recycling, or other reutilization of assistive technology devices, which may include redistribution through device sales, loans, rentals, or donations.”

For the purposes of this State Plan, device reutilization activities are categorized as either device exchange activities, device refurbish and reassign activities or open-ended loan activities. Device exchange activities are those in which the Statewide AT Program facilitates the transfer of a device from a consumer who does not need the device to a consumer who could use the device without the organization taking possession of the device at any time. Devices are listed in a “want ad” or other type of posting and consumers can contact and arrange to obtain the device (either by purchasing it or obtaining it for free) from the current owner. Exchange activities do not involve warehousing inventory and do not include repair, sanitization or refurbishing of used devices. In some cases, a Statewide AT Program serves as an intermediary directly involved in making this exchange; in others the consumer and current owner make this exchange without the involvement of the Statewide AT Program.

Section 4(d)(5) of the AT Act requires the State Plan include a description of how the Statewide AT Program will implement State-level and State Leadership activities. Further, section 4(d)(4) requires that the State Plan describe how various public and private entities will be involved in the implementation of those activities, including a description of the nature and extent of resources that will be committed by public and private collaborators. Section 4(d)(7) requires that the State Plan include a description of the State-level and State Leadership Activities the state will support with state funds. Section 4(e)(3)(B)(iii) requires that states coordinate and collaborate their State-level and State Leadership activities among public and private entities.

### Device Exchange

* + 1. **If device exchange activities are conducted through a formal written agreement, by providing financial support to other entities and/or by receiving financial support from other entities please identify that coordination and collaboration in the table below.**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Easter Seals** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Private Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Other** *(describe)* | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |

* + 1. **Select the option that best describes what happens when a device is exchanged. Identify only one.**
* **The transaction is direct consumer-to-consumer**
* **The Statewide AT Program is involved in the transaction**
  + 1. **Describe the activity.**

**N/A**

* + 1. **The online page for this specific activity can be found at:**

**N/A**

### Device Refurbish and Reassignment and/or Open-ended Loan

* + 1. **If device refurbish and reassignment and/or open-ended loan activities are conducted through a formal written agreement, by providing financial support to other entities and/or by receiving financial support from other entities please identify that coordination and collaboration in the table below.**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Easter Seals** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **No** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Private Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Other** *(describe)* **Project Mend** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **No** |

* + 1. **Select the option(s) that describe how a reutilized device is provided to a recipient. Identify as many as apply.**
* **X Device ownership is transferred to the recipient**
* **Device is loaned for as long as the recipient needs it with no ownership transfer.** 
  + 1. **Describe the activity.**

**Double Click program through Easter Seals refurbishes computers, tablets and occasionally phones for resale of $120.**

**Project Mend refurbishes durable medical equipment, computers, AAC devices, etc. and acts as a general donation center for medical equipment they then provide to consumers. Products are either provided on a sliding scale, via insurance payment, or at no cost to the consumer. They also received other grant funds that may underwrite costs for target consumer groups (veterans, or the homeless for example)**

* + 1. **The online page (or pages) for this specific activity can be found at:**

**Easter Seals** <https://www.easterseals.com/centraltx/our-programs/adult-services/community-housing-services/double-click-computer.html>

**Project Mend** <https://www.projectmend.org/>

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## Device Short-term Loan Activity

The AT Act indicates that Statewide AT Programs are to “directly or in collaboration with public or private entities, carry out device loan programs that provide short-term loans of assistive technology devices to individuals, employers, public agencies, or others seeking to meet the needs of targeted individuals and entities, including others seeking to comply with IDEA, ADA and Section 504.” The purpose of a device loan may be -- (1) to assist in decision making, (2) to serve as a loaner while the consumer is waiting for device repair or funding, (3) to provide an accommodation on a short-term basis for a time limited event or situation or (4) to conduct training, self-education or other professional development activity.

Section 4(d)(5) of the AT Act requires that the State Plan include a description of how the Statewide AT Program will implement its State-level and State Leadership activities. Further, section 4(d)(4) requires that the State Plan describe how various public and private entities will be involved in the implementation of those activities, including a description of the nature and extent of resources that will be committed by public and private collaborators. Section 4(d)(7) also requires that the State Plan include a description of the State-level and State Leadership Activities the state will support with state funds. Section 4(e)(3)(B)(iii) requires that states coordinate and collaborate their State-level and State Leadership activities among public and private entities. The following items are items intended to meet these requirements for device loan activities.

### Short-term Device Loan

* + 1. **If short-term device loan activities are conducted through a formal written agreement, by providing financial support to other entities and/or by receiving financial support from other entities please identify that coordination and collaboration in the table below.**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Easter Seals** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Private Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Other (***describe)* **TTAP does all device loans** | **Yes** | **N/A** | **N/A** |

* + 1. **Select the option that describes how the majority of devices loaned are delivered to and returned from a borrower. Identify only one.**
* **X The majority of devices are shipped via mail or other delivery service.**
* **The majority of devices are delivered or picked up in-person.**

Statewide AT Programs use one of two methods for getting devices to borrowers using their short-term loan program. Choose the option that is used for the majority of the device loans issued.

* + 1. **Describe the activity.**

The State AT Program, TTAP, provides all device loans to any Texan or any age with a disability, their caregivers, and/or the professionals supporting them. We cater to any entity needing AT supports including but not limited to public and private schools; private and public hospitals, clinics and practitioners; state agencies that support people with disabilities; and early childhood programs. Items are shipped via Fed Ex and the consumer is provided with a return shipping label, so there is no charge to the end user. Some residents of Central Texas choose to pick up the items in person. A range of AT tools are available to support a variety of disabilities including visual impairments, hearing impairments, communication (AAC devices and iPads), early learning supports, intellectual and developmental disabilities, and alternative computer access.

* + 1. **The online page for this specific activity can be found at:**

<https://techaccess.edb.utexas.edu/loan.php>

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## Device Demonstration Activity

The AT Act describes device demonstrations as activities to “directly, or in collaboration with public and private entities, such as one-stop partners, as defined in section 101 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2801), demonstrate a variety of assistive technology devices and assistive technology services (including assisting individuals in making informed choices regarding, and providing experiences with, the devices and services), using personnel who are familiar with such devices and services and their applications.” Section 4(e)(2)(D)

Device demonstrations compare the features and benefits of AT devices to enable informed decision-making. In a device demonstration, guided experience with the device(s) is provided to the participant with the assistance of someone who has technical expertise related to the device(s). This expert may be in the same location as the participant or may assist the participant through Internet or distance learning mechanism that provides real-time, effective communication to deliver the necessary device exploration.

A demonstration is characterized by its interactive nature whereby the participant can interact with the device and an expert to increase their knowledge and understanding about the details and functions of a device; the participant drives the demonstration and has the ability to interact and have their individual questions about the device addressed. If the demonstration is conducted via the internet or distance learning mechanism it must be a real-time, interactive demonstration that provides one-on-one assistance to the participant. A web-based demonstration that is archived or is a static presentation without interaction is considered an awareness activity, not a demonstration.

Section 4(d)(5) of the AT Act requires that the State Plan include a description of how the Statewide AT Program will implement its State-level and State Leadership activities. Further, section 4(d)(4) requires that the State Plan describe how various public and private entities will be involved in the implementation of those activities, including a description of the nature and extent of resources that will be committed by public and private collaborators. Section 4(d)(7) also requires that the State Plan include a description of the State-level and State Leadership Activities the state will support with state funds. Section 4(e)(3)(B)(iii) requires that states coordinate and collaborate their State-level and State Leadership activities among public and private entities. The following items are items intended to meet these requirements for device demonstration activities.

### Device Demonstration

* + 1. **If device demonstration activities are conducted through a formal written agreement, by providing financial support to other entities and/or by receiving financial support from other entities please identify that coordination and collaboration in the table below.**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** |
| **Easter Seals** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** |
| **Private Entities** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** |
| **Other** *(describe)* | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** |

* + 1. **Describe the activity.**

TTAP Demonstration Centers are spread out geographically across our very large state with some of the more populous urban centers have more than one Demo center. They include a variety of public and private locations that support a variety of Texans with disabilities. Each Demo Center has a collection of basic AT equipment covering a variety of types and applications. Some Demo Centers have equipment that is specific to the populations they serve most (more AAC devices in a Children’s rehab hospital for example). Consumers are requested to call and arrange and in-persona appointment since many of the locations have multiple programs occurring during the day and AT staff may have multiple obligations.

* + 1. **The online page for this specific activity can be found at:**

<https://techaccess.edb.utexas.edu/demo3.html>

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## State Leadership Activities

Training Activities

The AT Act describes training as follows:

“(i) TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. —

(I) IN GENERAL. —The State shall directly, or provide support to public or private entities with demonstrated expertise in collaborating with public or private agencies that serve individuals with disabilities, to develop and disseminate training materials, conduct training, and provide technical assistance, for individuals from local settings statewide, including representatives of State and local educational agencies, other State and local agencies, early intervention programs, adult service programs, hospitals and other health care facilities, institutions of higher education, and businesses.

(II) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES. —In carrying out activities under sub clause (I), the State shall carry out activities that enhance the knowledge, skills, and competencies of individuals from local settings described in sub clause (I), which may include—

(aa) general awareness training on the benefits of assistive technology and the Federal, State, and private funding sources available to assist targeted individuals and entities in acquiring assistive technology;

(bb) skills-development training in assessing the need for assistive technology devices and assistive technology services;

(cc) training to ensure the appropriate application and use of assistive technology devices, assistive technology services, and accessible technology for e-government functions;

(dd) training in the importance of multiple approaches to assessment and implementation necessary to meet the individualized needs of individuals with disabilities; and

(ee) technical training on integrating assistive technology into the development and implementation of service plans, including any education, health, discharge, Olmstead, employment, or other plan required under Federal or State law.”

Training activities are instructional events, usually planned in advance for a specific purpose or audience, and are designed to increase participants’ knowledge, skills, and competencies regarding AT. Such events can be delivered to large or small groups, in-person, or via telecommunications or other distance education mechanisms. In general, participants in training can be individually identified and could complete an evaluation of the training. Examples of training include classes, workshops, and presentations that have a goal of increasing skills, knowledge, and competency, as opposed to training intended only to increase general awareness of AT. Training activities have more depth and breadth than public awareness activities and are focused on skill building and competency development.

Section 4(d)(5) of the AT Act requires that the State Plan include a description of how the Statewide AT Program will implement its State-level and State Leadership activities. Further, section 4(d)(4) requires that the State Plan describe how various public and private entities will be involved in the implementation of those activities, including a description of the nature and extent of resources that will be committed by public and private collaborators. Section 4(d)(7) also requires that the State Plan include a description of the State-level and State Leadership Activities the state will support with state funds. Section 4(e)(3)(B)(iii) requires that states coordinate and collaborate their State-level and State Leadership activities among public and private entities. The following items are items intended to meet these requirements for training activities.

### Training

* + 1. **If training activities are conducted through a formal written agreement, by providing financial support to other entities and/or by receiving financial support from other entities please identify that coordination and collaboration in the table below.**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Easter Seals** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Private Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Other** *(describe)* Occasionally, private organizations request training and offer an honorarium (i.e. State SLP Professional Organization Conference). The University requires a contract for this. | **Yes** | **No** | **Yes** |

* + 1. **Provide a short description of at least one and no more than three planned training activities. One of the activities described must be planned Information and Communication Technology (ICT) accessibility training that will provide the required ICT Training performance measures. If the Statewide AT Program is meeting the transition requirements of the AT Act through training, please describe that planned activity. If the Statewide AT Program sponsors or co-sponsors a statewide conference please include that event as one you describe.**

**Planned ICT Accessibility Training (required)**

* + - * Fifty percent of my monthly webinars (so 6 per year) with the state VR AT councilors are on ICT Accessibility training topics.
      * Participate in two Texas Education Agency committees/advisories that support inclusive practices and accessible instructional materials. Much of this work has been providing ICT support for the members and as part of the end products the committees ae providing for Texas educators.

**Planned Transition Training or Other Training Activity (optional)**

* Provided fiscal support for national speakers on the topic of AT and transition for the Texas AT Network (a K12 entity) annual Conference in 2018 and 2019 (no conference in 2020).
* AT Tool training/technical assistance for Texas Work Force AT consultants

**Planned Statewide Conference or Other Training Activity (optional)**

* Provided AT/AAC training sessions at three parent conferences (Inclusion Works, Dallas Downs Syndrome Guild, Houston Transition Conference) in 2019 and 2020.
  + 1. **The online page for this specific activity can be found at:**

-No url available; internal or not public

Technical Assistance Activities

The AT Act describes training as follows:

“(i) TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. —

(I) IN GENERAL. —The State shall directly, or provide support to public or private entities with demonstrated expertise in collaborating with public or private agencies that serve individuals with disabilities, to develop and disseminate training materials, conduct training, and provide technical assistance, for individuals from local settings statewide, including representatives of State and local educational agencies, other State and local agencies, early intervention programs, adult service programs, hospitals and other health care facilities, institutions of higher education, and businesses.

(II) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES. —In carrying out activities under sub clause (I), the State shall carry out activities that enhance the knowledge, skills, and competencies of individuals from local settings described in sub clause (I), which may include—

(aa) general awareness training on the benefits of assistive technology and the Federal, State, and private funding sources available to assist targeted individuals and entities in acquiring assistive technology;

(bb) skills-development training in assessing the need for assistive technology devices and assistive technology services;

(cc) training to ensure the appropriate application and use of assistive technology devices, assistive technology services, and accessible technology for e-government functions;

(dd) training in the importance of multiple approaches to assessment and implementation necessary to meet the individualized needs of individuals with disabilities; and

(ee) technical training on integrating assistive technology into the development and implementation of service plans, including any education, health, discharge, Olmstead, employment, or other plan required under Federal or State law.”

Technical Assistance (TA) is direct problem-solving services provided by Statewide AT Program staff to assist programs and agencies in improving their services, management, policies and/or outcomes. TA may be provided in person, by electronic media such as telephone, video or e-mail and by other means. The following are examples of technical assistance: needs assessment, program planning or development, curriculum or materials development, administrative or management consultation, program evaluation and site reviews of external organizations, and policy development.

Section 4(d)(5) of the AT Act requires that the State Plan include a description of how the Statewide AT Program will implement its State-level and State Leadership activities. Further, section 4(d)(4) requires that the State Plan describe how various public and private entities will be involved in the implementation of those activities, including a description of the nature and extent of resources that will be committed by public and private collaborators. Section 4(d)(7) also requires that the State Plan include a description of the State-level and State Leadership Activities the state will support with state funds. Section 4(e)(3)(B)(iii) requires that states coordinate and collaborate their State-level and State Leadership activities among public and private entities. The following items are items intended to meet these requirements for technical assistance activities.

### Technical Assistance

* + 1. **If technical assistance activities are conducted through a formal written agreement, by providing financial support to other entities and/or by receiving financial support from other entities please identify that coordination and collaboration in the table below.**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **Yes** | **no** | **no** |
| **Easter Seals** | **Yes** | **no** | **no** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **Yes** | **no** | **no** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **Yes** | **no** | **no** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **Yes** | **no** | **no** |
| **Private Entities** | **Yes** | **no** | **no** |
| **Other** *(describe)* | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |

* + 1. **Provide a short description of at least one and no more than two planned technical assistance activities. If the Statewide AT Program is meeting the transition requirements of the AT Act through technical assistance, please describe that planned activity.**

**Planned Transition Technical Assistance or Other Technical Assistance Activity (required)**

* + - * Monthly webinar meetings with Texas Workforce AT consultants- tool training, processes, resources
      * Monthly webinars with demo centers- training, resources (During the COVID-19 response, these were weekly)

**Planned Other Technical Assistance Activity (optional)**

Public Awareness Activities

The AT Act says the following about Public Awareness:

“The State shall conduct public-awareness activities designed to provide information to targeted individuals and entities relating to the availability, benefits, appropriateness, and costs of assistive technology devices and assistive technology services, including—

(aa) the development of procedures for providing direct communication between providers of assistive technology and targeted individuals and entities, which may include partnerships with entities in the statewide and local workforce investment systems established under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (29 U.S.C. 3101 et seq.), State vocational rehabilitation centers, public and private employers, or elementary and secondary public schools;

(bb) the development and dissemination, to targeted individuals and entities, of information about State efforts related to assistive technology; and

(cc) the distribution of materials to appropriate public and private agencies that provide social, medical, educational, employment, and transportation services to individuals with disabilities.”

Public awareness activities are designed to reach large numbers of people, including activities such as public service announcements, radio talk shows and news reports, newspaper stories and columns, newsletters, brochures, and public forums.

Section 4(d)(5) of the AT Act requires that the State Plan include a description of how the Statewide AT Program will implement its State-level and State Leadership activities. Further, section 4(d)(4) requires that the State Plan describe how various public and private entities will be involved in the implementation of those activities, including a description of the nature and extent of resources that will be committed by public and private collaborators. Section 4(d)(7) also requires that the State Plan include a description of the State-level and State Leadership Activities the state will support with state funds. Section 4(e)(3)(B)(iii) requires that states coordinate and collaborate their State-level and State Leadership activities among public and private entities. The following items are items intended to meet these requirements for public awareness activities.

### Public Awareness

* + 1. **If public awareness activities are conducted through a formal written agreement, by providing financial support to other entities and/or by receiving financial support from other entities please identify that coordination and collaboration in the table below.**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Easter Seals** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Private Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Other** *(describe)* | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |

* + 1. **Provide a short description of at least one and no more than two planned major public awareness activities**. **If the Statewide AT Program conducts a major ongoing public awareness activity such as an annual AT awareness day with a Governor’s Proclamation, please include that activity.**

**Major Annual Planned or Other Public Awareness Activity (required)**

* + - * Exhibit at two state Abilities expos- Dallas and Houston
      * Texas Workforce Conference- exhibited and presented
      * Multiple “job and college” fairs throughout the state

**Planned Other Public Awareness Activity (optional)**

* + - * Multiple “AT 101” and “What is TTAP” sessions at college classes on disability (SLPs, OT/PT, Education, etc.), CILs, Community support groups for disability.
      * Collaborated with UT Campus Disability Supports for various social and disability awareness activities.

Information and Assistance Activities

The AT Act says the following about information and referral activities, which for the purpose of this State Plan are called information and assistance activities:

“(aa) IN GENERAL. — The State shall directly, or in collaboration with public or private (such as nonprofit) entities, provide for the continuation and enhancement of a statewide information and referral system designed to meet the needs of targeted individuals and entities.

(bb) CONTENT. — The system shall deliver information on assistive technology devices, assistive technology services (with specific data regarding provider availability within the State), and the availability of resources, including funding through public and private sources, to obtain assistive technology devices and assistive technology services. The system shall also deliver information on the benefits of assistive technology devices and assistive technology services with respect to enhancing the capacity of individuals with disabilities of all ages to perform activities of daily living.”

Section 4(d)(5) of the AT Act requires that the State Plan include a description of how the Statewide AT Program will implement its State-level and State Leadership activities. Further, section 4(d)(4) requires that the State Plan describe how various public and private entities will be involved in the implementation of those activities, including a description of the nature and extent of resources that will be committed by public and private collaborators. Section 4(d)(7) also requires that the State Plan include a description of the State-level and State Leadership Activities the state will support with state funds. Section 4(e)(3)(B)(iii) requires that states coordinate and collaborate their State-level and State Leadership activities among public and private entities. The following items are items intended to meet these requirements for information and assistance activities.

### Information & Assistance

* + 1. **If information and assistance activities are conducted through a formal written agreement, by providing financial support to other entities and/or by receiving financial support from other entities please identify that coordination and collaboration in the table below.**

| **Collaborating organizations conducting this activity** | **Have written agreement with this entity** | **Provide financial support to this entity** | **Receive financial support from this entity** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks/financial institution** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Independent Living Center** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Easter Seals** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Disability/AT Organizations** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Federal Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **State Entities/Agencies** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Local/Community Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Private Entities** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| **Other** *(describe)* | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |

* + 1. **Describe the activity.**

TTAP staff provide email, phone and webinar support for a variety of entities and individuals that contact us requesting information on AT devices and implementation. Additionally, staff at our remote Demo Center also filed questions and inquiries on AT.

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## Assurances & Measurable Goals

Section 4(d) of the AT Act prescribes the duties of the Lead Agency receiving a grant under section 4 of the AT Act and requires the State to provide a number of assurances in its application for funds. 34 CFR part 76 also requires that any State Plan include certain assurances. The Statewide AT Program certifying representative will attest to these assurances and other requirements below and by submitting the State Plan, will affirm that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief all information provided in the State Plan is true and correct and the State Plan fully discloses all known weaknesses concerning the accuracy, reliability, and completeness of the information.

### Assurances

* + 1. **As the Certifying Representative of the Lead Agency for the State of Texas, I hereby assure the following:**
    2. **The Lead Agency prepared and submitted this State Plan on behalf of the State of Texas.**
    3. **The Lead Agency submitting this plan is the State agency that is eligible to submit this plan and if an Implementing Entity is identified it is designated to implement the required AT Act activities.**
    4. **The State agency has authority under State law to perform the functions of the State under this program.**
    5. **The State legally may carry out each provision of this plan.**
    6. **All provisions of this plan are consistent with State law.**
    7. **A State officer, specified by title in this certification, has authority under State law to receive, hold, and disburse Federal funds made available under the plan.**
    8. **The State officer who submits this plan, specified by title in this certification, has authority to submit this plan.**
    9. **The agency that submits this plan has adopted or otherwise formally approved this plan.**
    10. **The plan is the basis for State operation and administration of the program.**
    11. **The Lead Agency will maintain and evaluate the program under this State Plan.**
    12. **The State will annually collect data related to the required activities implemented by the State under this section in order to prepare the progress reports required under subsection 4(f) of the Act.**
    13. **The Lead Agency will submit the annual progress report on behalf of the State.**
    14. **The State will prepare reports to the Secretary in such form and containing such information as the Secretary may require to carry out the Secretary's functions under this Act and keep such records and allow access to such records as the Secretary may require to ensure the correctness and verification of information provided to the Secretary.**
    15. **The Lead Agency will control and administer the funds received through the grant.**
    16. **The Lead Agency will make programmatic and resource allocation decisions necessary to implement the State Plan.**
    17. **Funds received through the grant will be expended in accordance with Section 4 of the Act, and will be used to supplement, and not supplant, funds available from other sources for technology-related assistance, including the provision of assistive technology devices and assistive technology services.**
    18. **The Lead Agency will ensure conformance with all applicable Federal and State accounting requirements.**
    19. **The State will adopt such fiscal control and accounting procedures as may be necessary to ensure proper disbursement of and accounting for the funds received through the grant.**
    20. **Funds made available through a grant to a State under this Act will not be used for direct payment for an assistive technology device for an individual with a disability.**
    21. **A public agency or an individual with a disability holds title to any property purchased with funds received under the grant and administers that property.**
    22. **The physical facility of the Lead Agency and Implementing Entity, if any, meets the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) regarding accessibility for individuals with disabilities. Section 4(d)(6)(E)**
    23. **Activities carried out in the State that are authorized under this Act, and supported by Federal funds received under this Act, will comply with the standards established by the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (20 U.S.C. 794d). Section 4(d)(6)(G)**
    24. **The Lead Agency will coordinate the activities of the State Plan among public and private entities, including coordinating efforts related to entering into interagency agreements.**
    25. **The Lead Agency will coordinate efforts related to the active, timely, and meaningful participation by individuals with disabilities and their family members, guardians, advocates, or authorized representatives, and other appropriate individuals, with respect to activities carried out through the grant.**

General Description of Measurable Goals:

Section 4(d)(3) of the AT Act requires that the State include information on the measurable goals, and a timeline for meeting those goals, that the State, with the advice of the Advisory Council required in section 4(c)(2), has set for addressing the assistive technology needs of individuals with disabilities in the State related to education, employment, community living, and telecommunications and information technology ).

* Section 4(d)(3)(A)(i) of the AT Act states that education goals include goals involving the provision of assistive technology to individuals who receive services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.). This includes infants and toddlers receiving early intervention services under Part C.
* Education also includes the provision of assistive technology to individuals who receive services under section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 720 et seq.) and individuals in institutions of higher education and vocational education, including community colleges.
* Section 4(d)(3)(A)(ii) of the AT Act states that employment goals include goals involving the State vocational rehabilitation program carried out under title I of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 720 et seq.).

ACL has established three types of measurable goals for Section 4 grantees:

* *Access to AT Goals* relate to the activities of device loan for a decision-making purpose and device demonstration. The State will show that it has improved access to AT by reaching or exceeding the ACL set target percentage of individuals and entities who accessed device demonstration programs or device loan programs and made a decision about an AT device or service as a result of the assistance they received. The Access Goal performance measure data is found in the Annual Progress Report (APR) for State Assistive Technology Programs.
* *Acquisition of AT Goals* relate to the activities of state financing, device reutilization, and device loan for purposes other than decision-making. The State will show that it has improved acquisition by reaching or exceeding the ACL set target percentage of individuals and entities who obtained devices or services from State financing activities or reutilization programs who would not have obtained that AT device or service. The Acquisition Goal performance measure data is found in the APR for State Assistive Technology Programs.
* *Information and Communication (ICT) Accessibility Goal* is focused on obtaining an outcome/result from information and communication technology accessibility training including improvement of policies procedures or practices in the areas of website and software development and procurement. The State will show that is has improved ICT training results by reaching or exceeding the ACL set target percentage of participants reporting a targeted outcome. The ICT Training performance measure data is found in the APR for State Assistive Technology Programs.