

?

phone: 603.228.2084 | relay: 711 email: contact.iod@unh.edu

Creating Solutions for Everyday Challenges

ATinNH will be hosting FREE Assistive Technology Makers Workshops across the state of New Hampshire. These hands-on workshops will empower participants with the knowledge, skills, tools and materials to create assistive technology solutions in minutes. Over the course of the day-long workshop, participants will fabricate a variety of solutions to support individuals who experience paralysis.

These workshops are brought to you through a grant from the High Impact Innovative Technology Assistance Grant Program through the Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation. Participants will fabricate five devices for themselves or to give to someone affected. These devices could include independent living aids such as:

- Adjustable universal cuffs for eating and drinking
- Cup holders for wheelchairs, canes, crutches and walkers
- One-handed and hands-free iPad holders for tables, walkers, recliners, etc.
- Devices for food preparation, dressing, bathing, transferring and self-care
- Devices for outdoor tasks
- Devices to reduce slips and falls
- Solutions for virtual participation in community events and activities



Who Should Attend:

These workshops are open to service providers, caregivers, family members and end users who experience difficulty or the inability to move their upper or lower extremities due to paralyzing conditions such as, Stroke, Alzheimer's Disease, Brain Injury, Multiple Sclerosis, ALS, and Spinal Cord Injury. These workshops are only targeting individuals who reside in rural cities and towns as defined by the US. Census report, therefore individuals who reside in Manchester or Nashua are not eligible to participate.



Available in alternative formats upon request.



Presenters:



Therese Willkomm, Ph.D., ATP, directs the Institute on Disability's ATinNH program and is a clinical associate professor in the University of New Hampshire Department of Occupational Therapy. Known internationally as "The MacGyver of Assistive Technology," Dr. Willkomm has provided AT services for over 30 years. She has appeared on RFD TV, CNN, NPR Science Friday and was invited to speak at the 2016 White House Summit on Technology and Disability.



Stacy Driscoll, M.Ed, ATP is an Assistive Technology Specialist with the ATinNH program. She holds a graduate certificate in Assistive Technology and a master's degree in Education. She has provided services to individuals with disabilities for over 25 years and conducts over 50 assistive technology workshops each year statewide and nationally.

Upcoming Workshops:

Workshops run from 9 am - 3 pm. All workshops are free, and lunch will be on your own.

| Wednesday, May 24, 2017 | Tuesday, July 18, 2017 | Monday, October 2, 2017 |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Concord, NH | Gorham, NH | Portsmouth, NH |
| Wednesday, May 31, 2017 | Wednesday, July 19, 2017 | Wednesday, October 25, 2017 |
| Concord, NH | Plymouth, NH | Durham, NH |
| Wednesday, June 7, 2017 | Thursday, August 10, 2017 | Monday, December 4, 2017 |
| Dover, NH | Gilford, NH | Concord, NH |
| Tuesday, July 11, 2017 | Thursday, August 17, 2017 | Thursday, January 18, 2018 |
| Littleton, NH | Concord, NH | Littleton, NH |
| Wednesday, July 12, 2017 | Wednesday, September 6, 2017 | Tuesday, February 6, 2018 |
| Concord, NH | Tamworth, NH | Durham, NH |
| Thursday, July 13, 2017 | Wednesday, September 13, 2017 | |

More dates will be added. Check on <u>iod.unh.edu/icreate</u> for the most up-to-date listing.

This award is funded through the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation's cooperative agreement with the Administration for Community Living (ACL) (cooperative agreement number 90PR3002-02-01).

Claremont, NH



Keene, NH

