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Adelante Development Center

New Mexico Reutilization and Acquisition Model Program (NMRAM)

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Adelante has been instrumental in helping the state of New Mexico develop BackinUse.com, a website that connects people with disabilities to the assistive technology they need. The site offers the ability to sell technology you are no longer using or to find items you need. Some are donated and are free to new users. Other items are posted for sale.

New Mexico Technology Assistance Program (NMTAP)

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Organization Type: Assistive Technology, State and Local Organizations

Disabilities Served: General / Non-disability Specific

The New Mexico Technology Assistance Program (NMTAP) offers free services to New Mexicans with disabilities to help them get the assistive technology (AT) services they need. The mission of NMTAP is to help individuals with disabilities enhance their quality of life through the use of AT. To fulfill this mission, the NMTAP staff provides the following services to New Mexicans with disabilities and their families:

* Assistive Bank of Loanable Equipment (ABLE) - Offers teachers, therapists, case managers, and DVR counselors the opportunity to try out an assistive device with their students/clients prior to purchase.

* Financial Loan Program - NMTAP, in conjunction with a financial institution, offers low cost financial loans to qualified persons with disabilities to purchase assistive devices or equipment. Information & Referral - NMTAP can help you identify local assistive technology service providers, potential funding sources, information about transportation, help with finding a job, other related programs, and help determine the types of benefits for which you qualify.

* Training Services - NMTAP offers regional trainings throughout the state year round. If your school district, agency, or family would like additional training on assistive technology, please contact our office.

The DBTAC Southwest ADA Center

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Houston, Texas 77019
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The DBTAC's mission is to promote voluntary compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The DBTAC provides **three core services** — technical assistance, training and materials dissemination. Activities designed to carry out the mission in Texas, Arkansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Louisiana is facilitated through the home office in Houston, TX as well as affiliations and partnerships.

Direct Therapy Services

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Organization Type: Assistive Technology, State and Local Agencies

Disabilities Served: Autism, Brain Injury and Stroke, Cerebral Palsy, Communication and Speech, Deaf / Blind, Developmental Disabilities, Health Impairments, Learning Disabilities, Mental Health Impairments, Mental Retardation, Multiple Disabilities, Multiple Sclerosis, Neurological Disorders

PROTECTION & ADVOCACY for Assistive Technology

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The Protection and Advocacy for Assistive Technology (PAAT) Program was established to protect and promote the rights of persons with disabilities to access assistive technology devices and services to the greatest extent possible. Provide services to New Mexicans persons with disability in how they can obtain funding for AT devices and services from special education programs, rehabilitation programs, the Department of Veterans Affairs, Medicaid, Medicare, Social Security, and private health insurance companies.

Navajo Nation Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation

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Organization Type: State and Local Organizations

Disabilities Served: General / Non-disability Specific

The Navajo Nation Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation (NNOSERS) collaborates with Arizona Rehabilitation Services Administration (ARSA) and San Juan Independent Living Center. This collaborative effort began in 1997, when staff from ARSA, NNOSERS, San Juan CIL, and the American Indian Rehabilitation Research and Training Center initiated a pilot training workshop to improve independent living service delivery to American Indian consumers and thus provide a foundation for better employment outcomes. An evaluation after nine months showed that 89% of active participants had improved or increased their level of IL services to American Indian consumers.