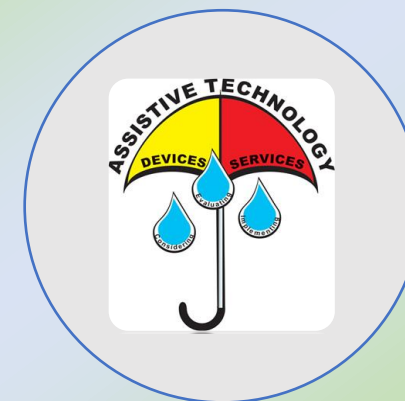
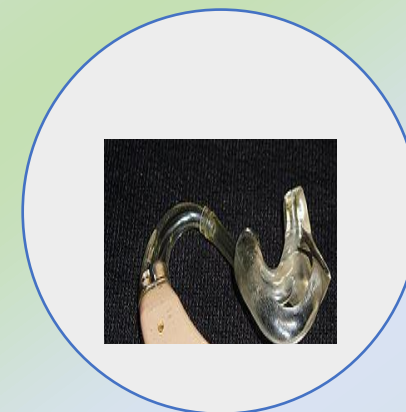


ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY REFERRAL GUIDE



Get informed about
assistive technology for
your child











What is Assistive Technology?









Assistive technology (AT) is any item, piece of equipment, software program, or product system that is used to increase, maintain, or improve the functional capabilities of persons with disabilities.












- AT can be low-tech: communication boards made of cardboard or fuzzy felt.
- AT can be high-tech: special-purpose computers.
- AT can be hardware: prosthetics, wheelchair attached support systems, and positioning devices.
- AT can be computer hardware: special switches, keyboards, and pointing devices.
- AT can be computer software: screen readers and communication programs.
- AT can be inclusive or specialized learning materials and curriculum aids.
- AT can be specialized computer access and instruction.
- AT can be much more—electronic devices, wheelchairs, walkers, braces, educational software, power lifts, pencil holders, eye-gaze and head trackers, and much more.

Assistive technology helps people who have difficulty speaking, typing, writing, remembering, pointing, seeing, hearing, learning, walking, and many other things. Assistive technology promotes inclusion, for example, it can enable people with disabilities to go to school and work, join their families for meals, and participate in their communities. Different people with different disabilities will require different assistive technologies.

This referral guide is to provide a list of services providing assistive technology in Fiji that will assist teachers and parents of students with disabilities in the assistive technology (AT) decision-making process for students with disabilities.

Organisation	Service	Assistive Products	Address	Service Area	Phone Contact	Email	Website
Spinal Injuries Association	• Wheelchair provision		3 Brown Street, National Council for Disabled Persons Complex, Suva.	National – across all of Fiji	330 7908 7225423 9380896	spinalinjuryfiji@gmail.com	https://spinalinjuryfiji.weebly.com/
	• Crutches, axillary/elbow						
	• Walking frames/walker						
Frank Hilton Organisation	• Wheelchair		139 Brown Street P.O. Box 1152 Suva.	Schools around Fiji	3384923	receivingoffice@hilton.org.fj /caseoffier@hilton.org.fj	https://www.frankhilton.org.fj/
	• Walker						
	• Hearing Aid						
	• Communication boards/books/cards	 					











Fiji Albinism Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunscreen • Hat/Cap • Reading Magnifier • Sunglass • Monocular 	    	Tamavua Twomey Hospital Princess Road, Tamavua, Suva.	National – all around Fiji	3321066	fijiabinismpro@gmail.com	http://www.health.gov.fj/first-fiji-albinism-awareness-symposium/ http://stleonardsdermatologyandlaser.com/main/page_news_and_updates_albinism_in_fiji.html
Pacific Eye Institute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spectacles 		Pacific Eye Institute Brown Street, Toorak Suva.	National – all around Fiji	3100424		https://www.hollows.org.nz/our-work/strengthening-health-systems/the-clinics/clinic/pacific-eye-institute
United Blind Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White Cane • Talking Calculator 	 	United Blind Persons of Fiji National Council for Disabled Persons (NCDP) Complex Brown Street P.O. Box 1605 Suva.	Members around Fiji	3300616	ubp@connect.com.fj	-

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Screen Readers • Embossing 	 					
Fiji Society for the Blind	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picture Tactile • Braille Machine • Braille Text • White Cane • Reading magnifier • Embossing 	     	Kaunitoni Street, Vatuwaqa, Suva.	Students with vision impairments.	338 2966	fsb@connect.com.fj	-
Tamavua Rehabilitation Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prosthesis, lower limb • Orthoses, lower limb • Orthoses, upper limb 	  	Rehabilitation Department, Tamavua Hospital, Princesses Road, Suva.	In-patient and children service	3321 500	pratima.gajraj@gmail.com	https://spinalinjuryfiji.weebly.com/

- Crutches, axillary/elbow
- Walking frames/walker



Assistive Products that could be purchased locally

<p>Book Shops</p>	<p>Flashcards</p> 	<p>Tactile Alphabets</p> 	<p>Audio Library Books</p> 	<p>Jumbo Chalk</p> 	<p>Jumbo Pencil</p> 
<p>Pharmacy</p>	<p>Wheelchair</p> 	<p>Calm Headphone/Noise Reduction</p> 	<p>Protective Head Gear</p> 	<p>Walker</p> 	<p>Digital Timer</p> 

Electronic Shops

Recorder



MP3 Player



Laptop



Tablet



For more information, please contact Ministry of Education Heritage and Arts, Senior Education Officer – Special and Inclusive Education