# AT Partnerships in Long-Term Services and Supports

2023 Leadership Symposium March 28, 2023



#### Strategic Partnering with LTSS Agencies

- 1. Become familiar with several examples of AT program partnerships with state agencies providing Long Term Services and Supports.
- 2. Be better able to consider possible partnerships with LTSS agencies (reactive AND pro-active).
- 3. Encourage you to systematically look at possible mutually beneficial partnerships on a regular basis.



#### Session Reminders

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- Please enter questions/comments in the Q&A window. Questions and comments will be addressed at the conclusion of the session, as time permits.
- Please complete the post Leadership Symposium survey when you receive it and include any "hot topics" you would like to see the AT3 Center address in future webinars.



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# NWD AND AT Act Program ...

A natural fit!

Barclay Shepard
The Virginia Assistive Technology System





#### Missions Meld Well – Natural Fit!



- No Wrong Door will support individuals of all ages and disabilities in achieving their unique goals for community living; streamline access to community supports; and promote efficiencies.
- The mission of VATS is to ensure that Virginians of all ages and abilities can acquire the appropriate, affordable assistive and information technologies and services they need to participate in society as active citizens.

## VATS/NWD Partnership Goals

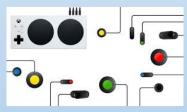
- ✓ Expand the capacity of NWD system to improve access to/acquisition of AT devices/services.
- ✓ Establishing a NWD AT Specialist (I&A/Consultation)
- ✓ Develop AT Kits for Demo/Loan/Training
- ✓ Expand VATS Reach through New Partnerships

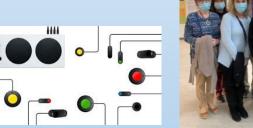
## New Partnerships:

AAAs and CILs



- Sheltering Arms Institute
  - My Life Room
  - Rec Therapy









• Sportable, Inc.









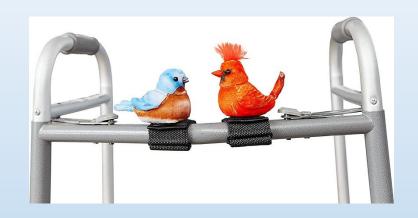
## New AT Kits/Equipment

- Expansion of Social Health Kits
- Falls Prevention

Sensory







Dementia/Wandering (researching)

# Mutually Beneficial Partnership: Expanded Reach/Exposure

- Public Awareness-Market One Another on Websites,
   Trainings/Presentations
- Expanded I&A Services
- VATS providing TA for NWD and 211 databases around AT services
- Increase in Demos/Loans/Reuse



## **Funding Opportunities**

#### Now we are on their RADAR!

#### Funding For:

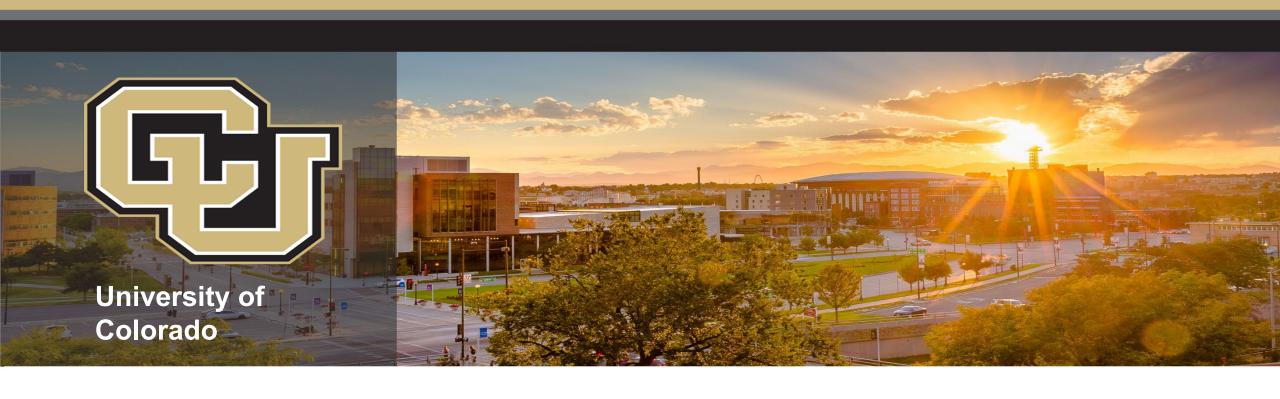
- NWD AT Specialist
- Enhance/Standardize Reuse Sanitization Program
- Telerehab
- Equipment for Demo/Loan/Training
- Home Ingress/Egress
- Multiple Specialized AT Kits



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# HCPF Member Digital Literacy Project HCPF Surviving in Place Project

#### Goal:

To Improve HCPF Member (Colorado Medicaid Waiver Recipients) digital literacy skills so they may better access HCPF online and automated tools, resources and services.

## **Project Summary**

#### **Approach**

- Build a digital literacy curriculum based on stakeholder feedback and informed by literature and subject matter expert review.
- Deliver a pilot training to 30 or more HCPF members to gage performance and garner feedback from the participants
- Create and evaluate a Train the Trainer package to support future delivery by HCPF providers.

# Source, Funding, History,

- Department of Healthcare Policy and Financing (HCPF) using state awarded funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) - \$500,000
- Project End January 31, 2024

### Achievements and Challenges

- 130 survey responses
- Three stakeholder listening sessions
- Four interview with subject matter experts
- Completed the scholarly literature review
- Curriculum plan completed
- Curriculum development is in-progress

# HCPF – Surviving in Place

**QPTL December 2022** 

#### Goal:

To provide emergency power backup systems to Colorado Medicaid recipients who rely on life sustain medical equipment. The systems are intended mitigate the need for evacuation during power outages and/or allow for improved evacuation planning.

## **Project Summary**

#### Four primary deliverables

#### 1. Education

- Emergency planning training for providers and HCPF members
- Back Up Power System training
- Train the Trainer

#### 2. Hardware Validation and Verification Testing

- Battery back up systems
- Life sustaining medical devices

# Summary of Project

#### 3. Go Kit Distribution

Deliver 1000 emergency go kits to HCPF members

#### 4. Power Back UP Distribution

 Deliver 1000 Power Back Up Systems tailored to the needs of individual HCPF members who rely on life sustaining equipment.

# Source, Funding, History,

- Department of Healthcare Policy and Financing (HCPF) using state awarded funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)
- Project End September 30, 2024

#### **Achievements**

- Initiated internal testing of Battery Power Backup Systems
- Receiving statewide feedback on real-world power draws of at-home medical devices
- Organizing usability testing with end users
- Drafted the application and marketing materials

### Questions?



