

NC AT Virtual EXPO 2022

September 29, 2022

Event Schedule and Information

<i>Scheduled Time</i>	<i>Session Title & Information</i>	<i>Speaker</i>
9:00 - 9:05	Welcome	Tammy Koger, NCATP Director NCATP
9:05 - 9:50 Keynote Speaker	<p><i>Personal Testimony: “Innovation for One-Handed Living”</i></p> <p>Doug Maxwell, an amputee for 42 years, graduated from West Virginia University and Full Sail University, where he studied film. He has many interests, including traveling, photography, restoring cars, music (self-taught guitar player), and climbed Kilimanjaro.</p> <p>Mr. Maxwell will discuss methods he has developed and adapted to make one-handed living easier. He will demonstrate tips and tricks he has learned throughout the years.</p>	Doug Maxwell, Keynote Speaker
9:55 - 10:25 Session 1	<p><i>“Improving the Quality of life with ImaginAble Solutions”</i></p> <p>ImaginAble Solutions assists people experiencing limited hand dexterity, hand weakness, or difficulty grasping and controlling objects because of an injury or a medical condition such as Cerebral Palsy, Arthritis, Huntington’s Disease, Dementia, spinal cord injuries, and strokes.</p>	Lianna Genovese CEO, Founder Biomedical & Mechanical Engineering ImaginAble

10:30 - 11:00 Session 2	<p><i>“Mind Mapping – Brainstorming, Organization, Writing, Note Taking, Time Management, etc.”</i></p> <p>In this interactive presentation, attendees will be guided through Mind Mapping best practices on how to visually organize topics, research, cite and reference information, and export data in any academic format, such as APA, MLA, etc. Furthermore, we will illustrate when Mind Mapping is paired with technology how it can enhance creativity, clarify thinking and improve understanding of the subject at hand..</p>	<p>Brandon Conrad, Project Manager MatchWare</p>
11:05 – 11:35 Session 3	<p><i>“Medicaid Communication Access Service: Effective Communication in Healthcare”</i></p> <p>An overview of the new Medicaid Communication Access Service and how David is working to achieve the goal of improving communication access for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind individuals in healthcare settings.</p>	<p>David Litman, Medicaid Communication Access Coordinator Medicaid Communication Access Service NCDHHS</p>
11:35 – 11:45	Door Prize Giveaways	<p>Must be present to win</p>
11:45 – 12:15	Lunch	
12:15 – 12:25	Door Prize Giveaways	<p>Must be present to win</p>

12:25 – 12:45	Stephen E. Sallee AT Awards of Excellence	
12:45 – 1:15 Session 4	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>“Creating a Connection with Nature”</i></p> <p>An overview of a therapeutic program in a public garden setting, highlighting successes of the Ability Garden, discussing adaptive gardening in general, and using nature as a way to build community and connect with others. Heather will provide examples of using gardens, plants, and nature metaphorically.</p>	<p>Heather Kelejian, Extension Agent, Therapeutic Horticulture, Director of Ability Gardens Ability Garden</p>
1:20 – 1:50 Session 5	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Personal Testimony: “The Benefits of AT through the eyes of a Man with CP”</i></p> <p>Brendon will discuss how he uses AT and its positive and negative aspects. Given his perspective on how a man with CP uses Assistive Technology.</p>	<p>Brendon Hildreth, Co-Director of the Accessible Icon Project in North Carolina. Graduate of East Carolina University Accessible Icon Project</p>
1:55 – 2:25 Session 6	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>“Low Vision Aids and Support”</i></p> <p>An overview of various Low Vision Assistive Technology and supports that allow individuals to adapt, adjust, and thrive in life.</p>	<p>Shonn Redmon Community Low Vision Low Vision Services Manager & Technical Support Coordinator IFB Solutions Community Low Vision</p>

2:25 – 2:35	Door Prize Giveaways	Must be present to win
2:35 – 3:05 Session 7	<p><i>“Requesting AT Services”</i></p> <p>An overview of strategies used to promote successful communication from the teachers/related service providers to request AT observations/services. Also, how the team has organized a system to go out and conduct observations/services.</p>	<p>Michele Cumston, SLP with the Rutherford County School System</p> <p>NC DPI</p>
3:10 – 3:40 Session 8	<p><i>Personal Testimony: “Adapting to Farming”</i></p> <p>An overview of various farming techniques that conserve energy and decrease stress. Beverly will also discuss specific assistive technology she uses on the farm.</p> <p>“AT for the best stewards of the Land, our Farmers”</p> <p>An overview of NC AgrAbility and the services provided through the program.</p>	<p>Beverly Bowen, Farmer</p> <p>Betty Rodriguez, NC AgrAbility Program, Coordinator</p> <p>Crystal Cook, NC AgrAbility Director</p> <p>NC AgrAbility</p>
3:40 – 4:00	<p>Door Prize Giveaways</p> <p>Closing remarks</p>	Must be present to win

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction will provide .7 CEUs. You must participate the entire day to receive the CEUs. More information will be provided on Expo Day.