

What is a Virtual ATRC? Free K-12 AT Support!

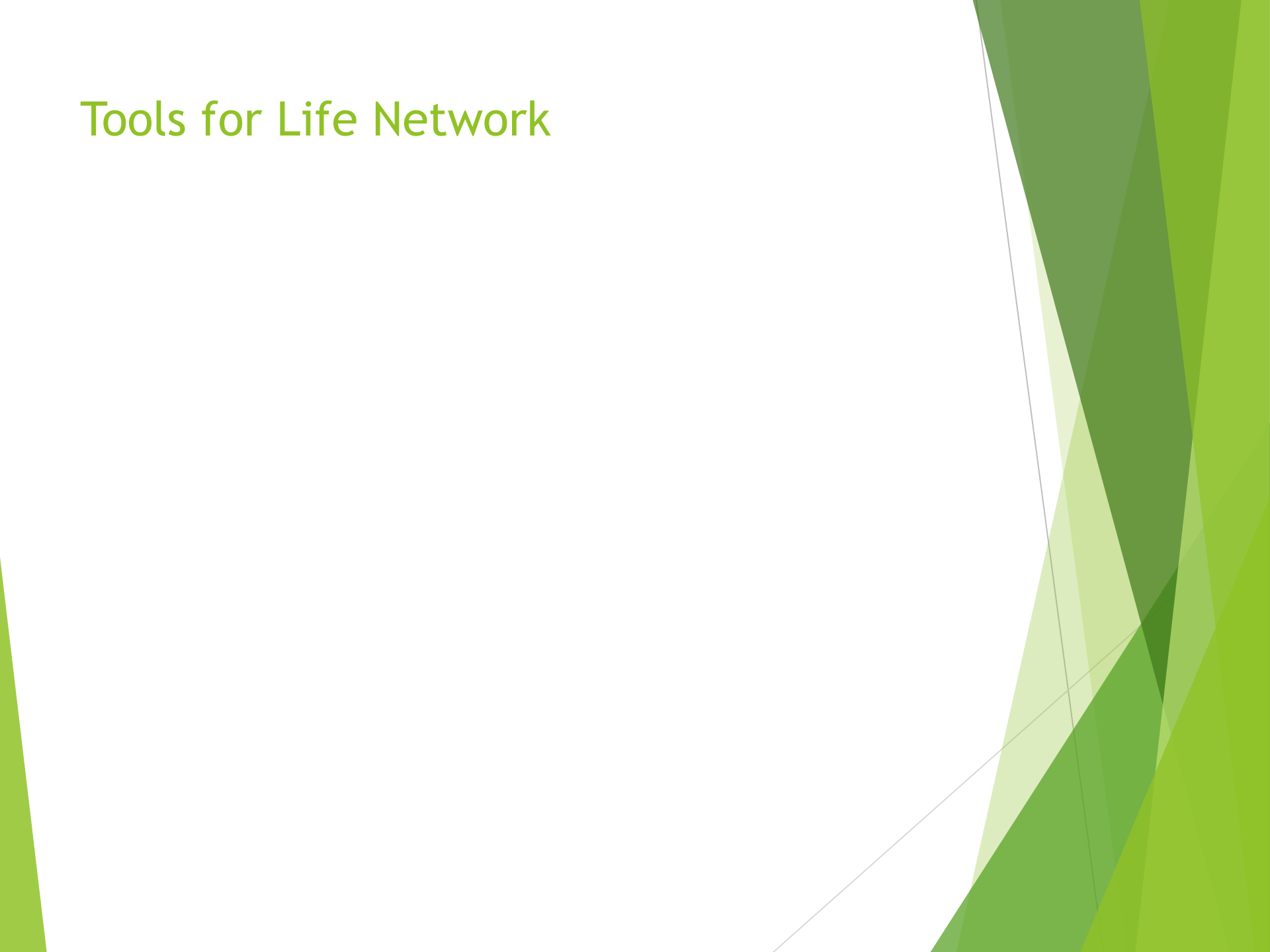
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Tools For Life Mission

- ▶ Tools for Life, Georgia's Assistive Technology Act Program, is dedicated to increasing access to and acquisition of assistive technology (AT) devices and services for Georgians of all ages and disabilities so they can live, learn, work and play independently and with greater freedom in communities of their choice.
- ▶ Services include:
 - ▶ AT Demonstration
 - ▶ AT Evaluations and Assessments
 - ▶ Funding Options
 - ▶ Lending/Reuse
 - ▶ AT Training

Tools for Life Network



Center 4 AT Excellence, TFL Partner Serving K-12 in Georgia

- ▶ What is a virtual Assistive Technology Resource Center (ATRC)?
 - ▶ C4ATX seeks to serve more individuals, professionals, and schools by doing many things at a distance, interacting collaboratively!
 - ▶ All services we provide at a distance (one hour or less) are FREE!
 - ▶ By not travelling, we can spend more hours with you, helping you to meet the needs of your students, instead of driving! It is more cost effective for you and for us!
 - ▶ We can help in many ways when an IEE with a written report are not needed.
 - ▶ **BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR OUR WEBINARS!** Upcoming webinars are posted on the home page of the TFL website, www.gatfl.org . Webinars are also archived on the TFL website for your convenience.

Platforms we use...

- ▶ You can call us! Our office number is 770-923-3202 or you can call the TFL offices at 404-894-0541. If you leave us a message, we will usually call you back within 24 hours, and then the cost of the call is on us!
- ▶ You can email us! ben@c4atx.com or pat@c4atx.com
- ▶ We can Skype! Get that face-to-face feeling! Call us to arrange a time.
- ▶ We can do a private webinar to share information or provide training at a distance.
- ▶ We can review video and help with suggestions for students.

Ways we can help with products...

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- ▶ Provide product information - we can share what we know or do some research to help you find what you need for an individual.
- ▶ Provide virtual demonstration of a product that you might be considering.
- ▶ Provide virtual training on a product that you are trialing or have purchased.
- ▶ Identify AT resources to borrow from TFL to try before buying, or we can connect you to a vendor that provides loans.

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- ▶ Consult with teachers or other professionals on specific individual needs.
- ▶ Consult with IEP team members prior to an IEP meeting as to AT that is appropriate to help meet the student's educational or transition goals.
- ▶ Attend an IEP meeting virtually, just being another resource at the table.
- ▶ Review video observations, and provide recommendations. Short reports may be available.
- ▶ Provide AT team professional development.

- ▶ Our goal is to help you meet individual needs for AT prior to the need for an independent evaluation!

We Can Provide Evaluations

- ▶ Sometimes it is necessary that an independent evaluation be conducted by a qualified person, with extensive knowledge of Assistive Technology.
- ▶ If we have not been able to meet the needs of the individual student virtually, we can travel to your site and conduct an evaluation.
 - ▶ 1. Your district must register with AMAC. This can be done online and does not cost anything.
 - ▶ 2. A school or a parent can request an evaluation, but the other will be contacted. Our goal is to be collaborative. We will ask to preview the student's current IEP, psychological, and any other pertinent evaluations prior to the AT eval.
 - ▶ 3. If we have been working with you prior to the request for an evaluation, all of what has been done can be useful in preparation for the evaluation.
 - ▶ 4. We will schedule a time for the eval. Face-to-face meetings may have a longer wait time...
 - ▶ 5. We will conduct the eval and generate a written report.

Questions?

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We Look Forward to Serving YOU!

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