

## **COVID Response Technology Project Application Guidelines**

Thank you for your interest in this project. One of the goals of this project is to increase the number of individuals with disabilities who are able to access telehealth and/or remote supports.

Please review these guidelines before submitting an application.

1. Consider the project goal of accessing telehealth and/or remote supports – is the applicant interested in pursuing this goal?
2. The applicant must be a Trust beneficiary. Trust beneficiaries fall into these categories:
  1. mental illness
  2. developmental disabilities
  3. chronic alcohol or drug addiction
  4. Alzheimer’s disease and related dementia
  5. traumatic brain injuries
3. Project funds cannot be used to request equipment needed to access school district services. Please work with the local school district and the special education team to identify and access assistive technology.
4. Project funds cannot be used to request the equipment needed to access their job. Please work with their employer and/or DVR to identify and access assistive technology.
5. This project cannot pay for access to the Internet. Because the project goal is specific to using technology to access services, access to internet is required. The project coordinator Kim Champney is available to discuss barriers to internet and assist as possible.
6. Assistive Technology of Alaska (ATLA) is the technology partner on the project. ATLA will take into consideration other equipment provided to the applicant in the past when conducting its consult.
7. Please provide as many details as possible about who best to contact. Keep the following guidance in mind:
  - ATLA takes into consideration a person's skills when determining appropriate equipment. For this reason, ATLA will need information specific to the person’s abilities and if the individual has a support person who can aid them if they need troubleshooting with their technology.
  - ATLA does its best to connect individuals with existing programs to acquire AT for them. They may need information about finances for qualifying them for certain programs. If the person has a guardian, ATLA will need their contact information. The individual and/or the guardian (legal decision-maker) will need to be involved to sign off on the appropriate paperwork and make decisions.

- If the person is applying for an iPad, ATLA will need more information about the person's history with an Apple device, if they have an Apple ID, and access to the individual who is managing their Apple ID if they have one.
8. Please respond to requests for information in a timely manner to assist with a quick response to the request.

If you have questions, please contact the project coordinator Kim Champney – <mailto:kim@champneyconsulting.com>