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Technology First Series Kickoff

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New Mexico's DDSD launched a Technology First Pilot project in the fall of 2022. As a next step, DDSD is launching Technology programming statewide this fall.

On October 4, 2023 the Division will host a Technology First Kickoff. This will be the first in a series of virtual events to provide awareness and education from technology vendors, national technology leaders, and individuals and providers in New Mexico benefiting from enabling technology.

We invite you this exciting kickoff event to learn about what is possible through a Technology First approach to service and support.

Agenda

- 10:00 AM Welcome
- 10:10 AM New Mexico DDSD's Technology Initiative Overview
- 10:20 AM What is Technology First? (Jason Ray)
- 10:40 AM What is possible with technology in IDD Services? (Dr. Jerry Bernard)
- 11:05 AM Technology Showcase CreateAbility
- 11:25 AM Technology Showcase Spenser Health
- 11:45 AM Town Hall Q & A
- 11:55 AM Wrap Up

What's Next?

This kickoff is the first in a series of virtual events that DDSD will be hosting over the next year. Future events will showcase national leaders in the technology first movement, exciting technology demonstrations from national vendors, and success stories for individuals benefiting from enabling technology in New Mexico.

Resources from the series along with other important technology first information will be gathered into a New Mexico DDSD Technology Community of Practice. Stay tuned for more details on accessing this growing community.





Why should I Attend?

Individuals and Families:

Learn about available technology solutions and the impact that enabling technology can have to create new opportunities for independence where you live, work, and play!

Service Providers:

Hear from industry leaders about how to incorporate technology solutions into your organization. You will learn where to start with a technology initiative and how to address many of the common challenges you may face.

Service Coordinators and Case Managers:

Discover the possibilities for independence through the use of enabling technology. You will learn about technology resources and the process within New Mexico to integrate technology into an individual's support plan.