

Doctors with disabilities, plastic straws, and tips for people with learning disabilities in the workplace, all this and more in this issue of Accessibility for All.

# Accessibility for All

## - Disability and Health Program -

### Recent News

#### Virtual Reality Could Help Upper Limb Rehabilitation in Children with Cerebral Palsy, Study Suggests

An Italian research team from the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies and the University of Pisa have developed a new rehabilitation technique for children with Cerebral Palsy. They call the technology "Serious Game" and it consists of a virtual reality camera and wearable haptic devices worn on the fingers.

#### Florida Deaf Health Survey

A team of Deaf and hearing scientists are studying the health of Deaf Floridians. Please consider taking our survey. To join, you must: Be Deaf, Hard-of-Hearing, or DeafBlind, use ASL to communicate, be 18 years or older, and live in Florida. The first 150 eligible people to complete the survey will get a \$10 gift card. Survey is open until 11:59pm on September 13th.

To learn more, go to: [www.fldeafhealth.org](http://www.fldeafhealth.org).

#### Doctors with Disabilities Push for Cultural Change in Medicine

Several doctors with disabilities discuss their experience in the field of medicine and advocate for a cultural shift. Several social media campaigns have been successful at giving more representation to people with disabilities

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### Upcoming Events

[Altitude Trampoline Park Sensory Friendly](#)

[Saturdays](#)

**Saturday, September 15, 2018**

**9:00am-**

**10:00am Eastern Time Tampa, FL**

"At Altitude we want all to gain the enjoyment and freedom of flight on a trampoline so each 1st and 3rd Saturday morning of the month we offer Sensory-friendly Saturdays!

SFS runs the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month from 9:00am-10:00am and all individuals and/or groups who struggle with sensory stimulation are

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## [Does the Universal Symbol for Disability Need to be Rethought?](#)

Liam Riddler and Lisa Carrana have launched a campaign called "Visibility93" to start a conversation about invisible disabilities and stigma. The campaign includes 29 different symbols representing various types of invisible disabilities.

## [Tokyo's Newest Fashion Star is Changing the Conversation About Disability One Instagram at a Time](#)

Keita Tokunaga is an activist and fashion stylist with congenital cerebral palsy in Japan who is making his mark in the fashion world. His active online presence, particularly on Instagram, has given people with disabilities representation in the fashion industry. He advocates for greater visibility for the disabled and increased access within design spaces.

## [It's Time for a National Museum of Disability](#)

12th grade students from Gann Academy in Waltham, Massachusetts point out the lack of disability history being taught in American schools today. They also emphasize the importance of disability history and offer a solution to the knowledge gap: A National Museum of Disability.

## [Banning Plastic Straws Might Be a Win for Environmentalists. But it Ignores Us Disabled People](#)

The push to ban plastic straws has gained popularity after images of sea turtles choking on plastic went viral. But a plastic straw ban ignores the needs of people with disabilities, who need to be included in the conversation about the plastic straw ban. Plastic bendy straws are a

The experience is great for our awesome guests who have sensory issues such as autism, etc. as Altitude offers the following during this time:

- 1 accompanying parent jumps free
- Less crowded at this time of day
- We turned the music volume down
- No parties are scheduled at this time
- Additionally, you get to enjoy Altitude at a reduced rate of \$11.95/per person 9:00am-10:00am!

For questions or more information, please call (813) 399-1529

To schedule large groups, please call ahead or email [Isaac@altitudetampa.com](mailto:Isaac@altitudetampa.com)  
\*Please note, we are always open to the general public"

[Rec and Tech Demo Day](#)  
**Saturday, September 22, 2018**

**10:00am-4:00pm Eastern Time**  
**St. George Island, FL**

**And**

**Saturday, November 10, 2018**

**10:00am-4:00pm Eastern Time**  
**Chiefland, FL**

"REC & TECH DEMO DAY: Hosted by FFAST, FDOA, and The Reeve Foundation. Live a day, Live your life, is an opportunity for people with disabilities and their

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alternatives.

## Tips, Briefs, & Guides

### [Disability Quality Index Best Practices](#)

This guide provides tips for making the workplace as accessible and inclusive as possible. It includes tips related to workshops, leadership training, accessibility teams, global inclusion, and more.

### [5 Easy Ways To Work Smarter If You Have A Learning Disability](#)

Deciding whether or not you are going to disclose your disability at work is a very personal choice. Either way, you can always ask for help. Here are 5 tips for navigating the workplace with a learning disability that don't include disclosing your disability status.

### [Top Ten Tips for Effective Consultation](#)

This guide offers tips for physicians working with people with intellectual disabilities, including offering double consultation time, speaking directly to the patient, and more.

### [Tips for Small Businesses](#)

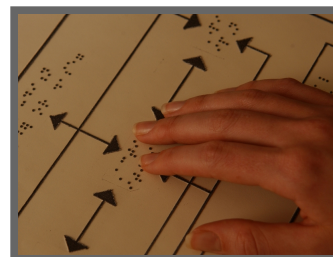
The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission offers disability accessibility tips for small business, including understanding relevant laws and reviewing each accommodation request separately.

Sincerely,

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outside and on the beach! Try out all-terrain track chairs, accessible kayaks, hand cycles, and more! FREE event for all ages! For Registration, [FAAST.org/LiveADay](http://FAAST.org/LiveADay) or contact Eric Reed at [ereed@faastinc.org](mailto:ereed@faastinc.org) (850) 487-3278 x 104"

**For more upcoming events, search through the [Agency for Persons with Disabilities \(APD\) Event Calendar!](#)**



## Webinars & Applications

[You are important to me: Help your DSPs be the best they can be](#)  
**Tuesday, September 18th, 2018**

**1:00pm-2:30pm EST**

Webinar is presented by Kelly Hartman, Mary Ciccarelli, and John Dickerson and will cover a framework for direct service providers (DSPs) to use to better understand people with intellectual disabilities.

[American Council of the Blind Scholarship](#)

**Application Deadline: Friday, February 15, 2019**

"All legally blind, full-time students admitted to academic and vocational training programs at the

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to promote one organization or resource over another.

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are encouraged to apply for one of these scholarships. Part-time students who are working full-time are also invited to apply for the John Hebner Memorial Scholarship. A cumulative grade point average of 3.3 is generally required, but extenuating circumstances may be considered for certain scholarships. Applicants must be legally blind in both eyes." Scholarship amount: Varies

[GHC Program Committee Call for Presentations](#)

**Application Deadline: Friday, October 5, 2018**

"The Governor's Hurricane Conference Program Committee is soliciting suggestions for training sessions and workshops for the 33rd Annual Governor's Hurricane Conference, May 12-17 2019, at Palm Beach County Convention Center/Hilton West Palm Beach. Suggestions must be received by October 5th in order to be considered."



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