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## State of Wisconsin

Assistive Technology Advisory Council

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### Notice of Public Hearing State Assistive Technology Plan (SPAT) for 2024-2026

#### Consumer Input and Feedback

Notice is hereby given that the State Assistive Technology Advisory Council will hold a public hearing to consider updates for the State Assistive Technology Plan (SPAT) for 2024-2026.

The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Assistive Technology Act, authorized in December 2022 provides funding to Wisconsin to operate the State Assistive Technology (AT) Program known as WisTech. The State AT Program supports state efforts to improve the provision of assistive technology to individuals with disabilities of all ages through comprehensive, statewide programs that are consumer-responsive. The State AT Program makes assistive technology devices and services more available and accessible to individuals with disabilities, their families, caregivers, service providers, and the community in general. This program also provides education and training for increased print and digital access for individuals with disabilities.

#### Wisconsin's State Plan for Assistive Technology (SPAT) 2024-2026

The AT Council is requesting consumer input on Wisconsin's SPAT 2024-2026, which will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living (ACL) by September 30, 2024. The AT Council is accepting feedback from July 22, 2024 through August 23, 2024.

The State Plan for Assistive Technology serves as a blueprint for how these funds are spent and how program activities are conducted. You can review the current SPAT and other relevant information in advance of the public hearing by visiting the [AT Council's State Plan for AT webpage](#).

**August 21, 2024**  
**1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.**

**August 21, 2024**  
**4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.**

**August 22, 2024**  
**10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.**

#### **[ZOOM Meeting Link](#)**

<https://dhs.wi.zoomgov.com/j/1617688225>  
Meeting ID: 161 768 8225

Phone: (669) 254 5252 or (888) 788-0099  
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## **Public Input and Deadline for Submission**

If you are unable to attend the public hearing and would like to provide feedback for the State Plan for Assistive Technology comments can be submitted via:

1. **Email:** [DHSWistech@dhs.wisconsin.gov](mailto:DHSWistech@dhs.wisconsin.gov)
2. **Mail:**

State Plan for Assistive Technology Public Comment  
1 West Wilson Room 551  
Madison, Wisconsin 54703

*Feedback must be submitted by 5:00 P.M. Friday, August 23, 2024*

## **Accessibility**

Sign language interpreters and CART services will be provided. If you need disability related accommodations, please contact us at [DHSWistech@dhs.wisconsin.gov](mailto:DHSWistech@dhs.wisconsin.gov). If you do not have internet and/or telephone access and need a physical location to provide input please contact WisTech by telephone at 608-514-2513. You must make your request at least 48 hours prior to the public hearing.

## **Council Contact Information**

The Council is administratively attached to the Department of Health Services. If you have AT Advisory Council questions please contact Jim Denham at (608) 237-8104 or by email at [JDenham@WCBlind.org](mailto:JDenham@WCBlind.org). If you need an interpreter, alternate formats, or other accommodations to participate, please contact Laura Plummer by phone at 608-514-2513 or by email at [laura.plummer1@dhs.wisconsin.gov](mailto:laura.plummer1@dhs.wisconsin.gov).