

Welcome to

INDEPENDENT LIVING CANADA'S

**AccessABLE
Technology
Expo™**

May 30, 2019, 11 A.M. TO 7 P.M.



Canada

*Promoting a new perspective on disability
Voir au-delà du handicap*

Message from the National Chair

of Independent Living Canada

We are one of the first generations to have witnessed incredible technological advances and scientific discoveries.

While technology has become routine in our day to day lives, it is still incredible to think that you have in the palm of your hand, access to most information that in decades before, may have had to be painstakingly found in anyone of thousands of libraries and millions of documents!

So, with that thought in mind, Independent Living Canada has organized its first AccessABLE Technology Expo™ where exhibitors of newly designed products and assistive devices can discuss with you how their innovations contribute to greater accessibility, independence and inclusion for persons with disabilities.

The longer you live, the more likely you are to become a person with a disability. According to Statistics Canada, 22% of all Canadians have a disability, with nearly half over the age of 65. Overlapping the prospect of disability are the types of disabilities people may succumb to such as those involving mobility, vision, hearing loss, cognition, debilitating diseases or mental health. All these kinds of disabilities however can be assisted by technological discoveries which will help persons with disabilities continue to live independently.

In terms of barriers to inclusion that often remain for people with disabilities, those barriers unfortunately result from a mixture of negative stereotyping, biases and prejudices. We believe in the rights and freedoms of all people, regardless of demographics, ethnicities or lifestyles. This is where Independent Living Canada comes into play with its partnership with 25 Independent Living Centres across Canada dedicated to providing programming to help all individuals with disabilities organize and live their lives independently.

Technology can always assist, but Independent Living Canada will always resist barriers placed in the way of persons with disabilities.

Enjoy the AccessABLE Technology Exhibition and thank you for being a part of National Accessibility Week and Independent Living Across Canada Day on June 3, 2019.

Diane Kreuger - National Chair, Independent Living Canada

Message from Steve Charbonneau

AccessABLE Technology Ambassador

I am proud to have been asked to be the Spokesperson for Independent Living Canada. The Independent Living Movement and Philosophy is something I wholeheartedly subscribes to, both in my personal and professional life representing the Adaptive Sports Foundation.

Today, I have the honor to introduce to you my Adaptive Sports Foundation as well as other impressive people and organizations that have introduced innovative health care products and services using advanced technologies and research methodologies that are now or will soon be available to persons with disabilities.

Enjoy your review of all the exhibitors and feel free to learn, experience and subscribe to those technologies and services that are best suited to your particular needs or interest.

Steve Charbonneau

Opening Ceremony and Invited Guests

Steve Charbonneau - Introduction and Opening Remarks

Kate Young, MP - Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Public Services and Procurement and Accessibility

Laura Dudas - Deputy Mayor of the City of Ottawa, Councillor of Innes Ward

Mathieu Fleury - Ottawa City Councillor of Rideau-Vanier Ward

Diane Kreuger - National Chair, Independent Living Canada

Patrick K. Curran - National Executive Director, Independent Living Canada

AccessABLE Technology Survey

If you have ideas for next year's AccessABLE Technology Expo™, please let us know by visiting our IL Canada Welcome Desk and completing a survey that will give you a chance to win a Microsoft package of gift items valued at approximately \$1,000.

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Exhibitors

Compusult believes in equal opportunities providing adaptive solutions to those individuals with various disabilities. Their assistive technology products offer individuals the ability to more actively and effectively participate in work and social situations.

March of Dimes Canada assists adults with physical disabilities who are in financial need to purchase assistive devices that increase their mobility and functional independence. Their DesignAbility® provides an abundance of technology, communication and control solutions to assist persons with disabilities.

JADEO provides information on cannabis accessible to the public, businesses, and professionals. Their Internet platform facilitates discussions and provides education to end the stigma surrounding cannabis. JADEO demystifies cannabis and explains the science involving variations of its properties for medical use.

Novalte has developed a fully functional centralized system that allows people with disabilities and the elderly to perform simple tasks such as opening and closing their front door, and controlling their TV, using a simple computer connected to their wheelchairs.

The Canadian Association of the Deaf (CAD-ASC) provides consultation and information on Deaf needs and interests. CAD-ASC recently announced a video remote interpreting (VRI) strategic partnership with **SLIAO - Sign Language Interpreting Associates Ottawa Inc.** SLIAO is focused on improving the quality and availability of sign language interpreting services.

Neil Squire Society's Makers Making Change offers a platform that enables everyone to publish and share open-source assistive technology designs, made both by their organization and other makers. People can share access challenges, solutions, and review existing projects.

Adaptive Sports Foundation has a mission to provide profound and life changing experiences for individuals with physical and cognitive disabilities and chronic illnesses through outdoor physical activity, education and community support.

49 Bespoke Inc. markets custom made RGK Wheelchairs in North America. It distributes VARILITE® cushions, backs, PAL Lateral Supports, Belts and Harnesses along with other ultra-light folding and rigid wheelchairs, Spinergy, Kenda, X-Core, shox, Sun Components, Frog Legs, Blax, BBRAVER, OutFront, Schwalbe, Batec, Fit Grip, Topolino, and a host of other products.

Eureka Solutions partners with top car manufacturers and vehicle conversion companies to make accessible transportation solutions by providing products of the highest quality. Eureka Solutions complies with all Canadian Motor Vehicle Safety Standards of Transport Canada (CMVSS).

Exhibitors *Continued*

Aetonix Systems develops a telehealth platform called aTouchAway™ that connects care providers to patients with chronic diseases and their families, reducing the need for hospital visits, keeping tabs on patients after they've left the hospital and giving support when and where it's needed.

HumanWare™ is the global leader in assistive technology for people who are blind or have low vision. HumanWare offers a wide range of innovative products involving desktop and portable vision as well as reading systems, and the ultra-portable explore line of electronic handheld magnifiers.

BuildAble™ AccessABLE Design is dedicated to making life more accessible for people with mobility challenges. BuildAble™ offers an innovative merger of registered health care professionals with renovations experts, which translates into ideas and design modifications that make a huge difference in their clients' day to day lives.

Inclusive Media and Design at Ryerson University designs, creates, and evaluates inclusive media. Their efforts are directed towards evaluating the existing conditions of production and reception of media to create solutions for access and enjoyment of media.

MySense™ is a simple to use health analytics platform that monitors the health and well being of a person by obtaining information from fixed and wearable sensors gathered by a secure platform. MySense runs machine-learning algorithms against the data that constantly search for patterns and anomalies.

GoGet.Fit™ connects individuals that desire to get active with their doctors, local fitness professionals and friends. Professionals use the GoGet.Fit™ GGF Pro Portal to monitor, recommend and celebrate their clients' progress, while individuals use the free app to schedule, log, and stay connected to their support network.

Helius Medical Technologies partners with top organizations to pioneer unique, non-invasive platform technologies that support neurological wellness, such as the Portable Neuromodulation Stimulator (PoNSTM) device, currently being studied to determine application to neurological conditions such as mild-to-moderate traumatic brain injury (mTBI).

The Canadian Hearing Society (CHS) provides industry-leading services and products that enable Deaf and hard of hearing Canadians to overcome barriers to participation.

Ottawa Foyers Partage (OFP) is a non-profit organization that provides permanent housing and programming for people with disabilities. Engaging participants through the use of technology, Ottawa Foyers Partage's use of ComputerWise offers people with multiple disabilities the opportunity to participate in skills development projects and social activities.

Exhibitor Location

1. 49BSPOKE
2. Adaptive Sports Foundation
3. Aetonix Systems
4. BuildAble AccessABLE Design
5. CAD-SLIAO
6. Compusult Ltd.
7. Eureka Solutions
8. Foyers Portage
9. GoGetFit
10. Human Ware
11. Jadeo
12. March of Dimes
13. MySense
14. Neil Squire Society's Makers Making Change
15. Ryerson University/ Inclusive Media & Design
16. Ryerson University/ Inclusive Media & Design
17. Novalte
18. The Canadian Hearing Society (CHS)
19. Helius Medical Technologies Inc.
20. Helius Medical Technologies Inc.

