

Assistive technology in Singapore - Needs, challenges and utilisation

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Abstract

There is currently a lack of national data on Assistive Technology (AT) utilisation and/ or the needs and challenges of people who use AT or may potentially benefit from it. The Society for the Physically Disabled has proposed a study that examines AT needs and utilisation in Singapore, and to identify factors impeding utilisation of AT. This study aims to ascertain AT needs and utilisation in Singapore, and to explore the challenges VWOs, SPED schools and other disability service providers experience in implementing AT. A pre-study survey would be administered to SPED schools to ascertain current utilisation of AT in the schools. Data would also be collected from at least 60 non-AT users via focus group discussions and at least 50 AT users via face-to-face interviews.

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