CCD 2023 Task Force Annual Report

1. Brief Task Force Description or Mission Statement
   a. The CCD Technology and Telecommunications Task Force deals with issues related to accessing telecommunications and assistive technology in education, employment, and independent living.

2. Three Issues the Task Force Worked on in 2023
   a. Overall funding for AT
   b. Full digital (including websites and other information and communications technology (ICT)) accessibility and accessible education. The Task Force will work to advise and educate that accessibility is included in guidance, legislation and regulations. Additionally, the Task Force will be working with the Department of Education to inform their Office of Education Technology regarding the National Technology Plan and the Digital infrastructure Guide (additionally ensuring it includes interoperability and accessibility).
   c. Educating Congress and the Administration on assistive technology and accessibility issues

3. Three Issues the Task Force Anticipates Working on in 2024
   a. Overall funding for AT
   b. Full digital (including websites and other information and communications technology (ICT)) accessibility and ensure AI is fully accessible. The Task Force will work to advise and educate that accessibility is included in guidance, legislation and regulations. This includes working to promote the AT guidance the Department of Education is expected to release in December 2023.
   c. Educating Congress and the Administration on assistive technology and accessibility issues

4. 2023 Task Force Co-Chairs
   • Audrey Busch, ATAP
   • Laura Kaloi, Stride Policy
   • Clark Rachfal, ACB
   • Joe Nahra, Perkins

5. Task Force Meeting Day of the Month and Meeting Time (Eastern)
   Fourth Friday of the month at 12 pm EST