Access to Success: UDL + Disability Supports In Adult Education

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Language Use

▶ Person-First

▶ Identity-First

Question 1:

What is a disability?

Legal Things...

- ▶ Disability - definition
- ▶ ADA / Section 504
  - ▶ 504 Becerra Case
- ▶ Note: IDEA
- ▶ State Laws (Illinois)
- ▶ 504 Web and Electronic Materials Access
  - ▶ Illinois Information Technology Accessibility Act

Types of Disabilities (not exhaustive)

- Sensory
  - D/HH/DB
  - B/LV
- Physical
  - Mobility
  - Amputee
  - May cross into health
- Health
  - Diabetes
  - MS / Parkinson's
  - Crohn's / IBS

- Learning
- Neurological / Psychological
  - TBI / Parkinson's
  - Autism
  - Mental Health
- Developmental / Intellectual

- Substance Use Disorders may rise to disability – may be protected from discrimination (recent cases)

What disabilities have students presented in your classrooms?

What is Adult Education?

Where does Adult Education occur?

Adult Education: Who?

▶ **Who**

▶ Young adult learners
  ▶ Alt. to high school diploma
  ▶ Foster youth "aged out"

▶ ABE/GED/HiSET

▶ ELL

▶ Justice-Impacted
  ▶ Currently incarcerated
  ▶ Returning Citizen
  ▶ Youth of parent(s) incarcerated
  ▶ Juvenile Justice System Youth

▶ Adult learners (including older)

Adult Education: Where?

- ▶ Postsecondary institutions
  - ▶ Community Colleges / Universities
  - ▶ College and Career Readiness prep (PS Ed & Training)
- ▶ Career Technical programs / centers
  - ▶ Career Centers
- ▶ Correctional Programs
  - ▶ Adult Prison (+ youth incarcerated therein)
  - ▶ Juvenile Justice System (18-21/22 (26 MI)
  - ▶ [Listing of IDEA rules by states](#)
- ▶ Independently run GED / HiSET / ABE / ELL programs
- ▶ ABE with Vocational training / CTE (Bridge Programming)
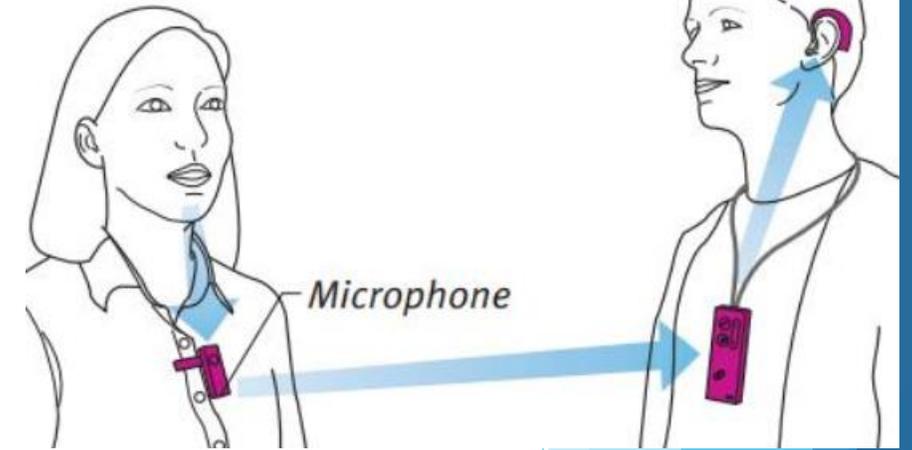 - ▶ Integrated Education and Literacy/Civics for ELL

What Barriers Might Arise in Adult Education for Students with Disabilities?

(current administration / political environment not included…)

► What about:

  ► ELL who is blind or Deaf?

  ► Level 1 ABE learner who is dyslexic

  ► Bridge Programming student who uses a wheelchair?

► **What curriculum / tools / activities are being used that might create barriers?**

► **How can Universal Design for Learning (UDL) start to address these concerns?**

► **What barriers might still need to be addressed by accommodations rather than by UDL?**
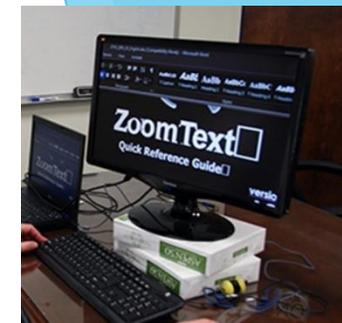
Talking About Accommodations….Deaf/HH

- Hearing Aid vs. ALD vs. ASL vs. Cochlear Implant
  - Hint – no "magic" fix
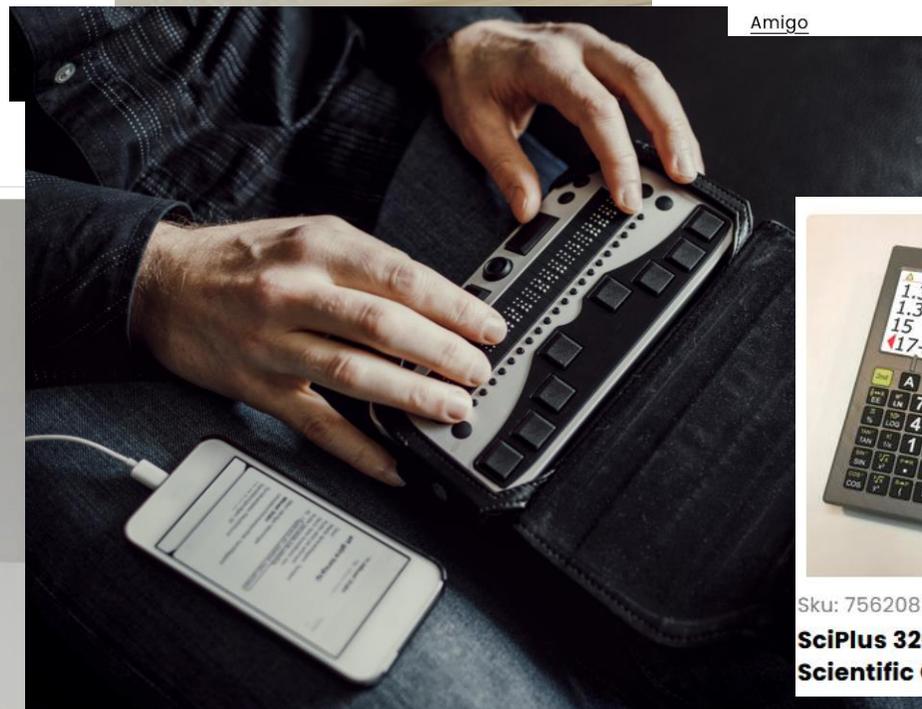- **How might each of these accommodations work in your classroom?**

ASL Stock hearing aid photo; drawing from Hearing Institute Atlanta; cochlear implant photo Keck Medicine; ASL Wright State Univ.

Talking About Accommodations…Blind / Low Vision

- Braille vs. CCTV vs. Handheld magnifier vs. large print vs. audio

Amigo

NLS Digital Advanced Player 2 (DA2)

Sku: 756208

SciPlus 3200 Low Vision Scientific Calculator

Sku: 755100

LogicKeys L. P. Slim Line PC Keyboard

Physical Accessibility….

- Can students using mobility devices get into the classroom?

- Can they access all components of class available to others (resources, computers, etc.)

- Are the desks accessible for someone using a wheelchair?

- What tasks require fine motor control and may need accommodations?

Disability Services Office (on college campuses)

- CeDaR Database
- Facilitate equal and equitable access to all institution programs, services, and activities
- Employment, including student employment, accommodations often through HR
- AHEAD Professional Organization

- Class accommodations
  - Individually determined case-by-case
- Campus events
- Housing & Dining
- Student Activities & Organizations
- Any program, service or campus activity
- Collaborate and Coordinate with campus offices / units

Resources

- [Great Lakes ADA Center](#) – free online trainings; technical assistance on the ADA

- [Locate State VR services](#)

- [Job Accommodation Network](#)

- [National Council on Independent Living](#) – list of CILs

- [US Dept of Ed Individuals with Disabilities Info](#)

Not exhaustive list of technology or equipment sales companies – NCCSD is not endorsing any one company

- D/HH tools – [Diglo company](#)

- B/LW tools & info – [FreedomScientific](#) / [Perkins School for the Blind](#) / [Hadley](#)

- [Independent Living Aids](#)

- [Maxi Aids](#)

- [Rehab Mart](#)

Resources might not be needed for your students directly, but for their family and friends

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