Empowering Access: Understanding and Planning for Access Needs from Start of Mobility Through High End Accessibility

Length: 2 Hours

Description:

This course will break down effective strategies for promoting independence which is much more than just driving. It will demonstrate how to plan for independent access for mobility, communication devices, computers and phones. It will justify why some strategies are ineffective for independent access and how to map out plan for a successful outcome.

Participants will view client case studies and will be shown different strategies for access of their powered mobility, seat functions, communication access, and how to integrate these systems to promote independence.

Objectives:

- 1. Understand the wheelchair electronics and recognize the importance/difference when it pertains to the needs of your client.
- 2. List and justify the components needed to connect a client's computer, communication device, phone and/or tablet to their wheelchair.

Instructional Level: Intermediate to Advanced

Credits: 2.0 CCU / 0.2 CEU TPTA approval pending TOTA approval pending

Presenter:

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Lisa Rotelli, Director of Adaptive Switch Laboratories, Inc., has had a lifetime of experience starting as a Clinical Coordinator for a Rehab Hospital in Northern California. She also served as a Rehab Manager for a large rehab equipment supplier and a Rehab Specialist for one of the major manufactures of rehab wheelchairs. She is certified by the University of Tennessee at Memphis as a seating specialist, and the University of Misericordia in Pennsylvania in pediatric seating. She specializes in alternative access, drive control systems, and has designed several drive control systems for severely involved clients. She presents at national conference to all levels of Clinical Therapists, Suppliers, and Educators.