

## Assistive Technology Referral & AAC Evaluation Process

Procedural and Synergy processes	Forms
<p><b>Intake with AT Special Factors Checked</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Review AT Qualification form to identify if accommodation warrants special factors to be checked on IEP</li> <li>•If special factors is still checked inform AT Department               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•With informing AT Department describe what the accommodation is and if AT consult minutes are included</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☐ <a href="#">AT Qualifications</a></li> <li>☐ Contact AT Department</li> </ul>
<p><b>Request for screening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teacher requests AT/AAC screening by emailing the AT/AAC</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Screening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assistive Technology Specialist observes student in classroom to make plan:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•<b>If student has AT mins and needs consult</b>, then need is addressed.</li> <li>•<b>If student does not have AT mins or if they need an AAC Evaluation</b>, then Assistive Technology Specialist submits referral form to Home District for approval, citing initial screening notes for context and consideration.</li> </ul> </li> <li>•Assistive Technology Specialist will update teacher regarding plan</li> <li>•Teacher notifies student’s parent/guardian that a referral has been made</li> </ul> <p><b>Upon approval from the District Representative</b>, teacher contacts IEP team to schedule SETT meeting. This meeting should include teacher and parent/guardian</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☐ <a href="#">Referral form sent to DR</a></li> <li>☐ AT Evaluation Planning Meeting Notice</li> </ul>
<p><b>Evaluation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student, Environment, Task, and Tools (SETT) Meeting attended by IEP team and led by AT and/or SLP</li> <li>• If AAC Evaluation is indicated, then parent/guardian signs consent form</li> <li>• Notes from meeting are documented, become baseline for AAC Evaluation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☐ MESD Consent for evaluation</li> <li>☐ MESD SETT meeting notes</li> </ul>
<p><b>Trials</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•To initiate trials, SLP submits baseline data (SLP Communication portfolio)</li> <li>•First trial begins (no longer than 30 days per trial, unless documented reason)</li> <li>•SLP submits data following each trial, in order to justify and inform the next trial</li> </ul> <p>• <b>Should the AAC Eval take longer than 60 school days for any reason</b>, then a Prior Written Notice will be sent to the IEP team to update re: trials progress after every additional 30 calendar days</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After completing trials, SLP and AT complete evaluation report based on trial data</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☐ MESD SLP Communication portfolio</li> <li>☐ <a href="#">MESD SLP trial data report form</a></li> <li>☐ Synergy: Prior Written Notice (+30 calendar days)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Review</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Team meeting is offered and scheduled in order to review AAC evaluation results</li> <li>• IEP Amendment proposed to update the PLAAFP and accommodations, if needed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☐ Synergy: Evaluation Review Meeting notes</li> </ul>

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• The Assistive Technology Specialist may assist team with moving forward towards next step (e.g., funding, loan item, etc), if requested

☐ Synergy: IEP amendment & Prior Written Notice

Assistive Technology Specialist uploads AAC evaluation packet and signed forms into Synergy, and delivers paperwork to Teacher to file in student's SPED file

**\* Please reach out to your TOSA if you have any AAC/AT referral questions**