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Assistive Technology Conference to be held online Nov. 6 and 13

The Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research, and Service at the University of Guam will host its 26th Annual Guam System for Assistive Technology Conference virtually from 10 a.m. to noon on Friday, Nov. 6, and again on Friday, Nov. 13.

Co-sponsored by the Guam Legal Services Corp. – Disability Law Center and the Guam Developmental Disabilities Council, the conference is intended for individuals with disabilities as well as family members, caregivers, employers, senior living providers, students, therapists, educators, and individuals from local organizations and the community who provide support to individuals with disabilities.

"This virtual conference will showcase innovation at home — how to craft AT devices at home — and also how AT has evolved over the years," said June De Leon, interim director for Guam CEDDERS. "During these times, innovative solutions at home will be the key to meeting today's challenges."

Following the theme "Creating Opportunities in a Changing World," the conference will include two keynote presentations:

- "Creating Assistive Technology Devices at Home During COVID-19" by Therese Willkomm, Ph.D., ATP, Director of the Assistive Technology in New Hampshire program in the Institute on Disability at the University of New Hampshire and a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Occupational Therapy
- "Four Decades of Exploration in Assistive Technology: From Toys to Term Papers" by Neil A. Rochelle, M.S. Ed., CAS, Educational Administrator (District) -

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The event is free to attend. American sign language and closed captioning will be provided. To register, go to http://bit.ly/gsatvirtualconference. For more information and to request reasonable accommodations, contact the Guam System for Assistive Technology program at CEDDERS at 735-2490 or gsat@guamcedders.org.

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Guests at the Guam System for Assistive Technology Conference on March 1, 2019, at the Westin Resort Guam applaud a panel of speakers. This year's conference will be held virtually on Nov. 6 and Nov. 13.

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