

## Survey of Rehabilitation Engineer's Role in Assistive Technology Interventions

Please check all answers that apply.

1. Where do you work?

DME _____	Private Rehab Firm _____
Dept within Hospital/Clinic _____	Non-profit _____
Tech Center within University _____	Research _____
State Agency _____	Misc. (Volunteer, Info & Referral Center) _____

2. What is your primary responsibility at work?

Service \_\_\_\_\_ Research \_\_\_\_\_ Teaching \_\_\_\_\_

3. How are clients referred to you?

Doctor's Prescription _____	Social Service Agency _____
Educational Facility _____	Vocational Rehab. _____
Other _____	

4. Who is your client base?

Adult \_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_ Senior Citizens \_\_\_\_\_

5. What types of assistive technology services do you provide?

Seating and mobility _____	Augment. Comm. Device _____
Environmental Control Device _____	Adaptive Computer Device _____
Custom-designed devices _____	Modification to AT Devices _____
Training _____	Pressure Mapping _____
Repairs _____	Maintenance _____
Other _____	

6. In designing and/or providing an AT device, what are the appropriate percentages of:

Commercially available products \_\_\_\_\_ Custom-designed products \_\_\_\_\_

7. How many visits does a client generally make for an assistive technology intervention?

1-2 \_\_\_\_\_ 2-3 \_\_\_\_\_ 3-4 \_\_\_\_\_ 4-5 \_\_\_\_\_ other, specify \_\_\_\_\_

8. Is there follow-up after a device is delivered? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If so, for what purpose? \_\_\_\_\_

Training \_\_\_\_\_ Modifications/Repairs \_\_\_\_\_ Customer Service/ Satisfaction \_\_\_\_\_

9. Do you mark up materials? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If so, by how much \_\_\_\_\_

If so, what is the justification for the mark-up? \_\_\_\_\_

10. Does your service provision include in-house fabricators? Yes _____ No _____
Is fabrication contracted out? Yes _____ No _____

11. In addition to the evaluation and design of a device, do you charge separately for:

Training	_____	Modification/Repair	_____
Follow-up	_____	Maintenance	_____

12. How much per hour do you charge for rehabilitation engineering services? \_\_\_\_\_

13. How is rate determined? \_\_\_\_\_

14. Do your fees vary according to the needs and abilities of your clients to pay?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please describe how they vary. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Do you work as part of a team? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If so, who are your team (e.g., OT, PT, social worker, fabricator, technician)? \_\_\_\_\_

16. If you work as part of a team, do your fees as rehabilitation engineers vary from other members of your assistive technology team?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, how do they vary? \_\_\_\_\_

17. Who pays for your assistive technology services?

HMOs/Insurance programs	_____	Social Services	_____	School/Edu. Institutions	_____
Medicaid/Medicare	_____	Voc. Rehab	_____	Self-pay	_____

18. If you work as part of a team, how do you distinguish what you do from what other team members do as part of an AT intervention? The question is not how a rehabilitation engineer differs from other practitioners, but what do you (as an engineer) contribute in an assistive technology intervention that is unique or distinctive from what a physical therapist, occupational therapist or other assistive technology practitioner contributes?

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