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**ATIA Announces Assistive Technology Outcomes and Benefits Journal (ATOB) Latest Issue**

**Chicago, Ill., October 15, 2019 - Assistive Technology Industry Association (ATIA) announced ATOB Volume 13 Issue 1, *The Role of Research in Influencing Assistive Technology Products, Policy, and Practice*, is now freely available for download via open access on the Journal's website.**

Kathleen M. Murphy, PhD, Principal Investigator, American Institutes for Research, and Guest Editor for ATOB Volume 13, provided the Introduction to the volume. Here is an extract from the Introduction:

*"Articles in this issue address the theme of "The Role of Research in Influencing Assistive Technology Products, Policy, and Practices." ATOB editors invited authors to submit articles that (a) address the ways that research, either internally within an organization or externally through successful private and/or public partnerships, has resulted in new assistive technology (AT) innovations, practices, and policies that help people with disabilities achieve their goals; or (b) highlight research findings that should inform product development, practice, and/or policy, helping to shape emerging and future technologies, strategies, and programs. Manuscripts were required to draw conclusions about how research has been or can be used by other stakeholders to effect positive change for people who use assistive technology (AT). "*

The ATOB Editor-in-Chief, Jennifer L. Flagg, commented, "We are excited to present this new volume of ATOB to an ever-growing community of readers. The volume covers important research across a wide range of assistive technologies, different age groups and settings. On behalf of the Editorial Board, thanks to our authors and reviewers for their dedication to this high-quality research publication."

Learn more about the contents through an "Introduction to ATOB Volume 13" by Kathleen M. Murphy or click on the links on the web page to access individual articles. ([www.atia.org/atob-volume-13/](http://www.atia.org/atob-volume-13/))

Articles included in Volume 13 are:

**[Considering Augmentative and Alternative Communication Research for Brain-Computer Interface Practice](#)**

By Kevin M. Pitt, M.S., Jonathan S. Brumberg, PhD, Adrienne R. Pitt, MSP

**[School Technology: Moving Beyond Assistive](#)**

By Carol M. Michels, Ed.D., MS, OTR/L

**[Accessibility User Research Collective: Engaging Consumers in Ongoing Technology Evaluation](#)**

By John Morris, PhD, Nicole Thompson, MPH, Ben Lippincott, Megan Lawrence, PhD

## **About ATOB**

*Assistive Technology Outcomes & Benefits*, ATIA's open-access, online, annual journal of peer-reviewed papers, highlights new information on the outcomes and benefits of assistive technology for persons with disabilities. *ATOB* is also available with a subscription to EBSCO, the world's largest online research database, and through the Education Resources and Information Center (ERIC), the world's largest digital library of education literature. *ATOB* was recently added to Scopus, an internationally recognized online research database, and with ProQuest, an online indexed publication database.

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## **About ATIA**

The Assistive Technology Industry Association (ATIA) is a not-for-profit association of manufacturers, sellers and providers of assistive technology (AT)-products, equipment and systems that enhance learning, working and daily living for persons with disabilities. For more information about our assistive technology education and research, please visit [www.atia.org](http://www.atia.org).

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