

## Artificial Intelligence and Assistive Technology

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### **ABOUT THE PRESENTER:**

Beth Poss is an educational and technology consultant, accessibility and inclusion advocate, speech/language pathologist, former special education administrator, and former assistant principal. In addition to her independent consulting, she is the Director of Educational Programs for LessonPix. Beth is passionate about designing educational environments that support all students in accessing a rigorous curriculum and meeting educational outcomes. In her work with school districts, universities and national and state level organizations she focuses on literacy, augmentative and alternative communication, Universal Design for Learning and inclusive educational practices. She is one of the authors of [Inclusive Learning 365: EdTech Strategies for Every Day of the Year](#), released in August 2021.

### **SEMINAR DESCRIPTION:**

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has the potential to significantly impact the lives of individuals with disabilities by improving assistive technology and support systems. This includes the direct use of AI tools by students as assistive technology, and the use of AI tools by AT professionals, therapists and educators to develop lesson plans and learning resources for their students. This session will explore some of the ways students and educators can use AI, along with the implications, benefits and challenges associated with the use of AI in this context. Participants will learn what AI is and is not and will be introduced to a variety of tools that integrate AI. Participants will explore ways to use AI to increase access to resources, provide feedback in real time, enhance productivity, create customized instructional materials and support professional learning. The pitfalls of AI will also be discussed, including how to avoid them while integrating AI in an AT toolbox.

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## **PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO:**

1. Describe 3 ways that AI can be utilized as Assistive Technology.
2. Describe 3 ways that education professionals can use AI to streamline paperwork or other tasks.
3. Explain how to create resources with AI tools to use personally or with students.

## **TIME ORDERED AGENDA:**

- 5 minutes: Introduction of Speakers, USSAAC and topic
- 5 minutes: What is AI?
- 20 minutes: Tools for Professional to Use
- 20 minutes: Tools for Students AAC Users
- 5 minutes: Implications/Pitfalls
- 5 minutes: Q & A

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Beth Poss is a member of USSAAC/ISAAC and ASHA

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## about USSAAC

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