

WHO launches assistive technology capacity assessment (ATA-C) tool in Indonesia and Vietnam

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The system-level tool to evaluate a country's capacity to finance, regulate, procure and provide assistive technology



WHO has developed the assistive technology capacity assessment (ATA-C) tool, a system-level tool to evaluate a country's capacity to finance, regulate, procure and provide assistive technology. The ATA-C tool enables countries to better understand the current status and identify key actions to improve access to assistive technology: it can be used for awareness raising, policy and programme design and ongoing monitoring and evaluation. The ATA-C implementation process can also serve to bring diverse stakeholders together and build momentum for action.

The tool was developed by WHO, in collaboration with the Clinton Health Access Initiative and with support of many other incountry partners. Its development has been informed by implementation in Bahrain, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Ethiopia, Indonesia, Iraq, Liberia, Malawi, Mongolia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Tajikistan, Uganda and Viet Nam. The tool development and country assessments were funded by UK aid under the AT2030 programme led by the Global Disability Innovation Hub, with contributions from the United States Agency for International Development.

WHO has created a dedicated portal to access the tool and supporting documents. Through this portal, WHO will provide technical support and facilitate coordination and connections between the diverse stakeholders in countries.ATA-C portal.

The ATA-C is part of the WHO Assistive Technology Assessment (ATA) Toolkit, helping countries to collect effective and relevant data on assistive technology. ATA Toolkit.