



Assistive Technology and Support Services for People with Disabilities in Low Resource Settings

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About 15 percent of the world's population has a disability, and a growing body of research shows they are worse off than their nondisabled peers according to a wide range of social and economic indicators, such as education, employment, poverty, violence, HIV infection, and access to health care and social services. This is directly attributable to many barriers in the environment, for example, inaccessible infrastructure and information and discriminatory attitudes. The availability of quality supports, such as personal assistance and assistive technology, is necessary for many people with disabilities in order to fully participate in the economic and social lives of their communities and close these outcome gaps. We invite papers addressing the access and impact of support services and assistive technology for people with disabilities in low- and middle-income countries, and examples and guidance on how they can be effectively provided in low-resource settings, especially those combining a high academic standard coupled with policy recommendations.





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