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News Stories



Supportive Technology Open House

August 6, 2024 between 10 AM and 2 PM ODP and the Temple Institute on Disabilities invites you to join a free event aimed at teaching participants about different types of Assistive Technology (AT). Assistive Technology refers to products, equipment, and systems that enhance learning, working, and daily living for individuals with disabilities. *Read More.*



Move Your Way Spotlight - Paul Smith

ODP Deputy Secretary Kristin Ahrens caught up with Paul Smith of Lycoming County after a summer bocce ball tournament. Paul, a Special Olympics Pennsylvania athlete, saw an ad in the paper and joined the program roughly two years ago. Since then, Paul, with the help of coach Lester Loner and the Athlete Performance Training program, has lost almost 50 pounds. Read More.



Communication Corner – Communication And Summertime

It's hot out there!

Did you know that temperatures can impact how well we communicate with each other? Since it's summertime, let's talk about heat. When people are overheated, it can affect their communication in a variety of ways. *Read More.*



From The LifeCourse Nexus: Fall Skill Building Series Announced & Fall Ambassador Series Cohorts Now Open

The LifeCourse Nexus is offering two training workshops for those who are looking to build capacity with the LifeCourse Framework. *Read More*.



KenCrest Earns Technology First Reaccreditation

Technology First SHIFT announced this week that KenCrest has earned their Technology First Reaccreditation. *Read More.*