FEDVOL Assistive Technology Event
Saint John of God Liffey Services

1. **Person Directed Plan** - Support for making choice and plans
   - Support for making transition and progression
2. **Digital Inclusion** - Support for inclusion in one's community

3. **Supports for Independence**
   - Multimedia Advocacy - Support for having meaningful social roles
     - Support for personal expression and creativity
   - Assistive Technology - Support for maximising independence

Person Directed Plans

PersonDirectedPlan
vimeo.com/241989492

- PDP process - 4 steps
- Guidelines make the difference
- How multimedia advocacy can support individual plans
- Staff skill set
  Check out our Video on Person Directed Plans here:

Digital Inclusion

Within the next five years, we will all have a smart home device in our home/ workplace. We can no longer give the excuse "I'm not techie" or hide our head in the sand. We all need to step up and upskill and accept that for some people technology makes things easier but for the men and women we support it makes things possible.

Check out our videos and webpages

Tap into Potential	**WayBuddy**	**Link2Me**	**MobileDevices**
vimeo.com/112701587	vimeo.com/112703504	vimeo.com/90461170	vimeo.com/241971126

Co-Design with DIT	**Job Shadow**	**Accessible Minutes**	**EasytoRead Website**
vimeo.com/DIT_co-design_project	vimeo.com/132529370	vimeo.com/265260088	**EasytoRead.Sjog.ie**

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Supports for Independence

Technology; Doing IT for ourselves

Multimedia Advocacy is an effective way of using media to communicate the choices and support needs of everyone in an accessible format through the use of video, image, sound and picture. We have started to use mobile technology to support us with communication, education and independent living skills in Saint John of God Liffey Services.

Members of the Self Advocate committees do a lot of great work to ensure that everyone has access to the supports they need and their voice is heard. The group started to use technology to support themselves in their roles as advocates and to support their communication needs. **Here are some of the apps and tool we use:**

Adobe Spark	**Text to Speech**	**Speech to Text**
spark.adobe.com	youtube.com/watch?v=2Or6FkckQnQ	youtube.com/watch?v=whBVogbroVQ

Claro Scan Pen	**Mefacilyta DeskTop**	**Guided Access**
youtube.com/watch?v=zGtPiT3V_kI	vimeo.com/210042144	youtube.com/watch?v=-3U01XmdOSU

In 2016 we have started to work on a European project **Mefacilyta DeskTop Mobile App.** It is a personal skills teaching app to build independent skills.
We are adopting a Matching Person with Technology approach while supporting the use of **Assistive Technology** and this is supported by our MDT Team (in our case discovering key interests and then apps that could support the individual)

What we have learned …

1. "Not everyone can read, video is better."
2. Shift in the ownership of information
3. Better access to Information.
4. Using mainstream apps and devices works
5. Need to build capacity and skillset of all Stakeholders
6. Co-design is a great advantage
7. Need for Infrastructure: Data Plans, Wi-Fi and Devices
8. The lack of and need for impact-driven research