## Creating Reliable Plans for DIY Assistive Technology







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#### Objectives

- 1) Discuss what sources you use to find DIY assistive technology that farmers can build.
- 2) Discuss how you evaluate if a DIY project is a reliable idea for a farmer with disability to use.
- 3) Discuss how to take a DIY project and make it into plans that others could duplicate.

#### Sources for DIY Technology













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Bring outside Agency (Equipment vendor, Extension, etc)

Camera/Sketch design

≻ Farmer

➤ Hierarchy of Assistive technology

# Sources for DIY Technology:

North Dakota State University Ag building plans

Midwest Plan Service Iowa State University

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https://youtu.be/LHhpWHRvKsl?si =pUXo\_avGf11RRQYi

What are YOUR sources of DIY AT ideas?





#### **Evaluate AT Reliability**

- ➤ Individualized assessment
- ► Farmer interview
- ➤ Follow-up visit
- > Pro/Con list

#### Evaluate DIY AT Reliability







### AT Reliability: Is it safe?

Evaluating Agricultural Workplace Assistive Technology for Secondary Injury Hazards

An Assessment Tool for Professionals Who Assist Farmers and Ranchers with Disabilities



AT Reliability: How do we know if it really works?

How do YOU evaluate an idea before suggesting it?



#### Proposing a new AT DIY idea



I want to give a huge shoutout to AgrAbility of Wisconsin and Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development DVR program for making this piece of equipment a reality for John. Equipped with a left hand only joystick and foot pedals to operate the bucket. Sometimes it's really hard to find anything that comes easy like it used to for him, operating the skid loader being one of them. Thanks to these two incredible programs, this was delivered to him today.







Lets talk about successful **DIY AT** projects that you want to make into shareable plans.



#### Discussion

Should AgrAbility create reliable peer reviewed plans for do-ityourself (DIY) agricultural assistive technology? Would this be more credible than YouTube to learn about DIY projects? Could we keep it up-to-date and easy to find information? How would we use the Toolbox for this?

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