**Landscape of AT Practice Levels**

Aims and method: This paper seeks to explore how levels of assistive technology (AT) practice are influenced by years of experience and preferred information seeking and professional development choices. A survey of allied health professionals (AHP) sought to examine assistive technology practices in Australia. The survey focused on frequency of AT practice and levels of AT: Level 1, mass produced mainstream consumer products with low complexity and risk; level 2 off the shelf, adjustable AT; Level 3 Complex AT solutions and level 4 customised solutions.

Analysis: Data were analysed to explore relationships between the levels and frequency of AT practice; levels of experience; preferred methods for seeking information and advice and professional development.

Findings: AHPs who recommended levels 1 and 2 AT were also statistically more likely to recommend levels 3 and 4 AT. Years of experience was not found to be related to levels of AT recommended. People who recommended all levels of AT were equally likely to rely of AT supplier for advice and information. People with less years of experience were more likely to rely on colleagues for AT advice. Although years of experience was not found to not be related to level of AT practice.

Discussion: This poses several questions including: what level of experience required to undertake level 3 4 AT practice; how frequently should people prescribe level 3/4 to be proficient and what level of support and CPD is required to support level 3/4 practice