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ANNOUNCEMENT OF FCC SUMMIT ON TELECOMMUNICATION NEEDS OF PEOPLE WITH COGNITIVE DISABILITIES

By this Public Notice, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC" or "Commission") announces a summit on the telecommunication needs of people with cognitive disabilities, sponsored by the Commission's Disability Advisory Committee ("DAC" or "Committee").

SUMMIT DATE, TIME AND AGENDA

The Cognitive Disabilities Summit will take place on Wednesday, October 28, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time, at the FCC's headquarters, Room TW-C305 (Commission Meeting Room), 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554. The meeting will be open to the public and webcast with open captioning at www.fcc.gov/live.

PURPOSE OF THE SUMMIT

The summit will facilitate discussion of the telecommunication needs of people with cognitive disabilities and effective means of meeting those needs. Panels will include: Communication Technologies for Independent Living; Emergency Preparedness/Living in the Community; and Ensuring and Funding Access to Equipment, Training and Broadband. An Expo of vendors and distributors of assistive technologies will be held during the Summit. The Expo is aimed at familiarizing participants with available communication technologies to assist individuals with cognitive disabilities.

ACCESSIBILITY AND ACCOMODATIONS

The meeting site is fully accessible to people using wheelchairs or other mobility aids. Sign language interpreters, open captioning, and assistive listening devices will be provided on site. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. If making a request for an accommodation, please include a description of the accommodation you will need and tell us how to contact you if we need more information. Make your request as early as possible by sending an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or calling the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY). Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. The meeting will be webcast with open captioning, at www.fcc.gov/live.

ACCESSIBLE FORMATS

To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), please send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

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