Get to Know the National Rehabilitation Information Center (NARIC)
Goals for this Presentation

• Learn about NARIC services that could be helpful to you.
• Learn how to find information about NIDILRR-funded projects.
• Learn how to find citations of research literature in disability, independent living, and rehabilitation, from NIDILRR projects and elsewhere.
• Learn how to find useful consumer-oriented information products developed by the NIDILRR grantee community.
• Learn how to stay up-to-date on all of these!
The National Rehabilitation Information Center (NARIC)

- Maintains information about projects funded by the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR)
- Maintains a large collection of literature focusing specifically on disability, independent living, and rehabilitation, including journal articles, books, technical reports, multimedia, and consumer publications.
- Provides information, resource referral, and document delivery to people with disabilities and caregivers, rehabilitation professionals and researchers, administrators, educators, and others.
- Promotes the dissemination and use of NIDILRR-funded work through publications, presentations, and social media.
Information Services

• Information specialists assist patrons in English and Spanish via toll-free phone line, email, chat, social media, and regular mail (yes, we still get mail!).

• We provide information from our own collections and our own publications.

• We alert patrons to other high quality resources to find additional services, benefits, and supports in the area for which they seek information.

• Whenever appropriate, we connect people to NIDILRR projects or resources that can help.

• We do not offer advice, diagnoses, recommendations or referrals for treatment, ratings of facilities, or case management.
Finding Information About NIDILRR-Funded Research and Development Projects

• NARIC maintains the NIDILRR Program Database, with more than 2,800 records of active and completed projects from 1983 to present.

• Project descriptions and related publications are available and searchable at www.naric.com.

• Search by keyword, or browse by program and priority area.

• Each record has contact info, goals and activities, websites and social media, and related publications in the NARIC collection.
www.naric.com

All of NARIC’s newsletters, resource brochures, and databases are on our website.
www.naric.com/?q=en/ProgramDatabase
An example record for the Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Disability in Rural Communities.

Contact info and websites

Description of activities

Related publications
Finding Literature on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation

- The NARIC collection focuses on disability, independent living, and rehabilitation research, from NIDILRR-funded projects and the wider community.
- Contains journal articles, technical reports, books, and multimedia.
- The collection is cross-disability, cross-discipline, and covers the lifespan.
- Literature is abstracted and indexed in several ways and searchable through a search engine on the NARIC website.
- Document delivery is easy and provided at low cost to the public.
REHABDATA Records include title, abstract, related project information and options to find the full text:

Order through NARIC

Find the publisher and order directly

If available online, a link will be provided
Start at [www.naric.com](http://www.naric.com)
You can always run quick keyword searches for NARIC publications or resources from one of our three databases.
Promoting the Use and Dissemination of NIDILRR-Funded Work

Collecting and Disseminating

• NARIC serves as a repository of NIDILRR-funded work
• We collect their work and disseminate it through document delivery, our website, and our outreach activities.
• 300-500 items added to the collection each year

Highlighting and Promoting

• News and Notes from the NIDILRR Community and Beyond weekly newsletter
• Research In Focus
• Social media channels
• NARIC Spotlight Blog
• NIDILRR Announcements list
How can I sign up for alerts to stay up to date?

From the NIDILRR Community

• News and Notes from the NIDILRR Community and Beyond
  • Research In Focus
• NARIC social media
• NARIC blog (esp Right Resources, Right Now)

Literature in the Field

• REHABDATA Connection monthly alert service
  • Select your topics. One email with brief abstracts and links to learn more

www.naric.com
Samples of Ready-to-Use Resources from the NIDILRR Community

A small sample of resources developed by the NIDILRR-funded projects that are ready to use, right now

- AbleData [www.abledata.com](http://www.abledata.com)
- Access to Success for College Students [www.accesstosuccess.ku.edu](http://www.accesstosuccess.ku.edu)
- Partnerships in Wellness [z.umn.edu/PIW](http://z.umn.edu/PIW)
- Capti Narrator [www.captivoice.com](http://www.captivoice.com)
- AIMFREE [www.rectech.org](http://www.rectech.org)
Visit naric.com, follow us, call us – we’re here to help!

- Explore [www.naric.com](http://www.naric.com) to search or browse on your own.
- Get in touch if we can help.
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