About Communication Access Now (CAN)

Communication Access Now (CAN) is a national campaign to promote accessibility for people who have speech and language disabilities.

People who have speech and language disabilities can have major barriers accessing services because some people:

• May be afraid to talk to them
• Think they are hard of hearing
• Underestimate their abilities
• Do not know how to communicate with them
• Do not know or do simple things to provide access to services

CAN provides information, education and resources about communication access for:

• Government, accessibility legislators and policy makers
• Businesses, organizations and community services
• People who have speech and language disabilities and their families
• Communication and disability services

CAN’s goal is to improve accessibility to goods, services and opportunities for all people who have speech and language disabilities.

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More information:  www.communication-access.org