

Dear Service Provider,

The American Printing House for the Blind (APH) has a rich history of service to students who are blind and visually impaired throughout the United States. Founded in 1858, APH is the oldest organization of its kind in the U.S. and is the largest organization in the world that researches, designs, and manufactures products focused on enhancing and supporting the education of students and clients with visual impairment. As a service provider in the visual impairment field, you are invited to attend our Annual Meeting which is held the beginning of October every year.

The highlights of Annual Meeting include information and in-depth training on products and services, the ability to see new products in development, and participation in a unique group effort, the APH Playground, which focuses on hands-on work and critical thinking among Annual Meeting participants about various APH products and services pertinent to the field. When participating in these activities, ACVREP credit are available to earn for those that wish to add to their education.

With the location of the meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, there is also an opportunity to see where the books and educational aids are made with a tour of the company. The tour includes a visit to the museum which is dedicated to preserving the educational history of people who are blind, the educators of people who are visually impaired, and the Helen Keller archives. We know not all of you are able to come physically to the event so portions of our Annual Meeting will be available in a virtual environment.

The staff of APH is eager to interact with you and to receive your feedback and suggestions to improve products and services. We look forward to your attendance. Please email me at <a href="mailto:lgrillot@aph.org">lgrillot@aph.org</a> or contact APH at 800-223-1839 to learn more about this year's Annual Meeting scheduled October 6-8, 2021.

Warm regards,

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