

RELAY 711

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Dial 711, Connect, and Communicate



Kansas Relay provides full telephone accessibility to people who are deaf, deaf-blind, or hard of hearing.

What is Kansas Relay?

Kansas Relay is a free 24-hours-a-day service that allows people who are deaf, hard-of-hearing, and/or deaf-blind to place and receive telephone calls. Kansas Relay users can communicate freely with businesses, friends, or family who use a standard telephone.

All calls are strictly confidential and no records of any conversations are maintained.

Voice Relay for Hearing Callers

711 or 800-766-3777

Standard telephone users can easily initiate calls to TTY users. No special equipment is needed. You can use any type of phone from anywhere. The Communications Assistant types the hearing person's spoken words to the TTY user and reads back the typed replies.

How to contact a person who uses a TTY

- 1 Dial 711 (or 1-800-766-3777) You will hear "Kansas Relay Communications Assistant # (each Communications Assistant has a unique identification number) may I have the number you are calling please?"
- **2** Give the Communications Assistant the area code and telephone number you wish to call and any further instructions.
- **3** The Communications Assistant will process your call. When the TTY caller answers the call, the Communications Assistant will type what you say to the TTY caller. Make sure to say "Go Ahead" when it's the TTY caller's turn to respond.
- 4 The TTY caller will read what was said on the device. The Communications Assistant will then read aloud everything the TTY caller types to you.

To learn more, visit kansasrelay.com/voice



TTY Relay

711 or 800-766-3777 (Español: 866-305-1343)

A person who is deaf or hard of hearing can use a TTY to type their message, which is read aloud to the other caller by a Communications Assistant. The Communications Assistant types the spoken message of the hearing caller to the TTY user.

- The TTY user types a conversation to the Communications Assistant. Remember to type "GA" (Go Ahead) at the end of each message.
- The Communications Assistant then voices the typed message to the other party.
- 3 After the TTY user types "GA," it is the other party's turn to respond.
- The Communications Assistant relays the other party's spoken words by typing them back to you.



To learn more, visit kansasrelay.com/tty

TeleBraille Relay

711 or 800-766-3777

People who are deafblind or have low vision can use a TTY and/or TeleBraille device to type words to a Communications Assistant, who then speaks the typed words to the other caller, and types all spoken words back to the deafblind caller. The average typing speed is slower than traditional TTY relay, and can be modified to as slow as five words per minute.

- The other party's conversation to a deafblind caller goes through a Communications Assistant.
- The Communications Assistant types the other party's conversation to the deafblind caller.
- The deafblind caller reads the conversation through a TeleBraille device.



To learn more, visit kansasrelay.com/telebraille

Voice Carry-Over

711 or 866-479-7566

Voice Carry-Over (VCO) allows a caller with hearing loss to speak directly to a hearing person. When the hearing person speaks to a VCO caller, the Communications Assistant serves as the VCO caller's "ears" and types everything said to the VCO caller's TTY or VCO device. If an elderly person with progressive hearing loss has difficulty hearing over the phone, VCO may be the perfect communication solution for them.

- 1 The VCO user who has a hearing loss, speaks to the other party directly.
- While the other party speaks to the VCO user the Communications Assistant listens.

The Communcitions Assistant types everything the other party says, word for word, to the VCO user.

The VCO user reads on a TTY screen what the other party speaks.



Other Relay Features

International Calling

Kansas Relay allows you to place and receive calls to and from anywhere in the world (using English or Spanish language only). Calls originating from a country outside of the US may also access Kansas Relay by dialing 1-605-224-1837.

Answering Machine or Voice Mail Retrieval

TTY/VCO users can request Kansas Relay to retrieve messages from their voice answering machines or voicemail.

Dial 911 for Emergency Calls Only

In case of emergency, TTY users should call directly to the 911 emergency services center for their community.

The 911 operators have TTY machines and are trained to respond appropriately to TTY users.

711 is NOT a substitute for TTY users requiring emergency services.

TTY users who cannot obtain emergency service via 911

may call 711 and inform the Communications Assistant there is an emergency situation.



Calling through Kansas Relay may take longer than calling 911 directly.



Equipment Distribution Program

The Kansas Telecommunications Access Program (TAP) is an equipment distribution program. The purpose of the program is to provide free specialized telephones and other telecommunications devices to Kansans with disabilities who can't use traditional home telephones.

To qualify, applicants must provide verification of the following:

- income
- a signed certification of disability from a medical professional.

If you need additional details about the program or would like to schedule a presentation, visit our website at atk.ku.edu/ks-tap.



TRS Customer Profile

The TRS (Telecommunications Relay Service) Customer Profile allows consumers who have hearing loss to list their preferences for calls, such as:

- Frequently dialed numbers
- Emergency numbers
- Preferred gender of operator
- Announcing relay service

If you are interested in adding your information to the Customer Profile, visit kansasrelay.com/profile.

IP Relay Numbers	Frequently dialed numbers are phone numbers that you would like speed dial or easy access to (i.e. morn, wo etc.). Up to 100 frequently dialed numbers can be stored.			
Emergency Location	ID	NAME	PHONE NUMBER	Delete
	1	Mom	(312) 555-2587	
Frequently Dialed	ID	NAME	PHONE NUMBER	Delete
	2	Dr. Gold	(410) 555-4789	
(Call Preferences				
∑_ Notes	3	NAME Main Street Pharmacy	PHONE NUMBER (443) 555-0120	Delete
용 Speech to Speech	There	are 3 Frequently Dialed Numbers in your profile.		
Emergency Numbers			Ad	d number
PR Permissions				
Bb Personal Information				
(f) Account Security	1			

Important information

- English-to-Spanish and Spanish-to-English translations are also available.
- TTY and Voice Carry-Over (VCO) relay are not compatible with PBX systems, VOIP phones or digital landlines; a dedicated analog landline must be used.
- There is no charge for local and long-distance calls.

Request presentations

- Kansas Relay can provide customized presentations for organizations, agencies, schools, clubs, events, or companies at no charge. The presentations talk about Kansas Relay services and programs, and can last anywhere from an hour to a full day.
- To request, go to kansasrelay.com/presentation

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