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## **Bridge Multimedia and the National Center for Technology Innovation Launch Comprehensive Online Funding Directory Tracking U.S. Department of Education Grant Funding**

Washington, D.C. – Bridge Multimedia and the National Center for Technology Innovation (NCTI) announced today the launch of the fourth edition of [www.EdTechOnline.org](http://www.EdTechOnline.org), a user-friendly Web site that offers a “One Stop Shop” for the latest information on federal grants available to support educational technology funded by the U.S. Department of Education.

Available free of charge, EdTech Online links state and local educators, technology developers, vendors, and publishers to the latest data on current and upcoming grants that focus on increasing technological capacity within K-12 public schools. The online resource offers updated information on federal grant program summaries and strategic objectives, appropriations, contact information, and links directly to the government agencies offering specific grants.

“We are pleased to connect the education technology community with a wealth of timely information on available federal grants geared towards increasing capacity to assist the learning of all students,” announced Tracy Gray, Ph.D., Director of the National Center for Technology Innovation.

The revised tool highlights current and upcoming grants for the 2007-2008 academic school calendar and offers two, new useful resources: *Grants at a Glance*, a snapshot of available technology funding and *No Child Left Behind Titles I-X*, a digestible overview of the various components of the law.

“Rather than searching multiple Web sites outlining various federal funding agencies, a visit to EdTech Online provides all of the necessary information in a comprehensive and accessible format, saving members of the education and technology communities valuable time,” commented Matt Kaplowitz, President of Bridge Multimedia.

EdTech Online will be one of many resources featured at the upcoming National Center for Technology Innovation’s Eighth Annual Technology Innovators Conference. For the past eight years, this conference has provided opportunities for researchers, entrepreneurs,

policymakers, technology developers, and venture capitalists making advances in educational technology to network and share innovative ideas.

### **About Bridge Multimedia**

[Bridge Multimedia](#) is a New York City-based media services company that develops universally accessible media designed to make the 21<sup>st</sup> century classroom equally accessible to all learners. In partnership with the American Foundation for the Blind, Bridge was awarded a three-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education, National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) to build and test the *Universal eLearner*.

### **About the National Center for Technology Innovation**

The [National Center for Technology Innovation \(NCTI\)](#), funded by the Office of Special Education Programs at the U.S. Department of Education, advances learning opportunities for individuals with disabilities by fostering technological innovation, as well as by providing resources and promoting partnerships for the development of technology-related products by manufacturers, producers, publishers and researchers.

### **About the National Center for Technology Innovation's Eighth Annual Technology Innovators Conference**

The [NCTI Technology Innovators Conference](#) encourages leaders in the assistive and learning technology fields to collaborate, network, and learn about the latest trends and best practices in educational technology. The conference will be held at The Madison Hotel in Washington, D.C. on November 15-16, 2007. For more information about the NCTI Technology Innovators Conference, contact Michelle Perry at 202-403-5905 or [mperry@air.org](mailto:mperry@air.org).