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**Question of the month:**

- Q.** For the PAC Accessibility Plan Review (APR) process, do increments like signage need to be submitted at the same time?
- R.** **No.** Increments like the signage package can be submitted separately when they become available; however, the PAC APR will remain open until all Increments have been reviewed. PAC, at their discretion, will determine if monitoring can remain at 5% when any increments have not completed the APR process prior to construction start.

**Accessible Medical Equipment (AME) Updates:**

- [2016 AME Buyer's Guides](#)
- [2016 AME Standards](#)

**Accessibility Training:**

Accessibility training sessions have been scheduled for medical equipment and signage in June. We are considering training sessions for contractors. Contact [Stella](#) or [Bill](#) if you are interested in having your vendors participate. Also, let us know if you have any suggestions on additional accessibility training to your vendors.

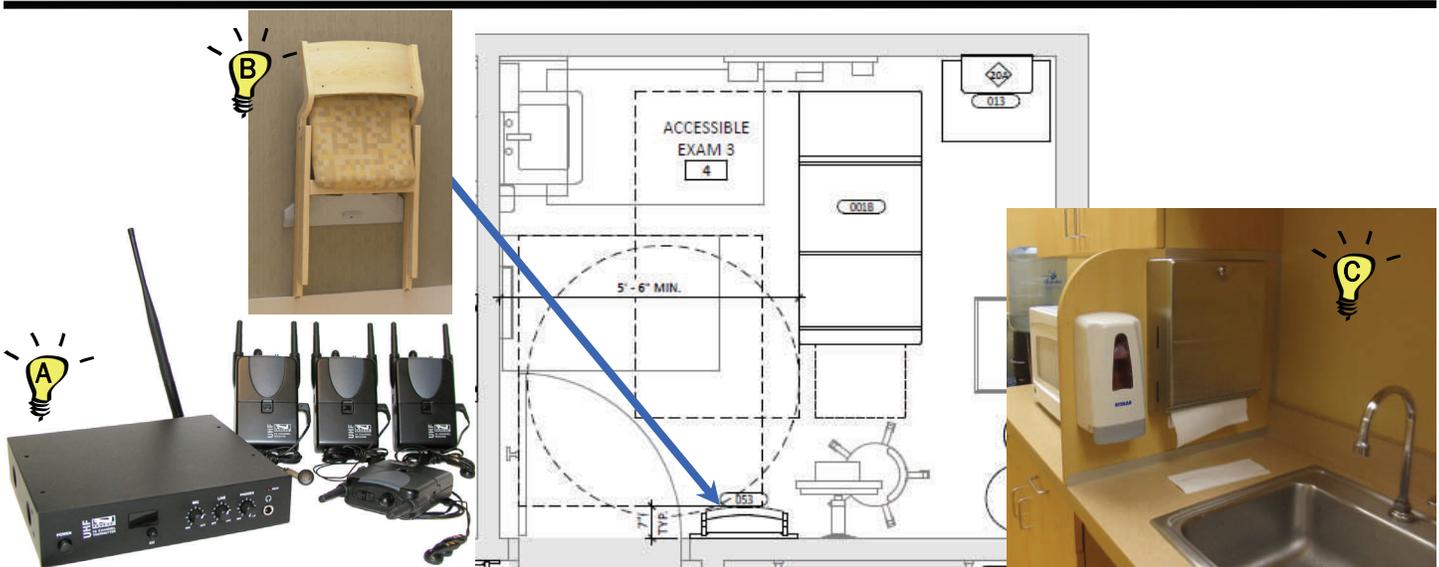
## GOT A BRIGHT IDEA? SHARE IT!

In past Newsletters, PAC has shared some ideas from project teams like the cane detection product in the [March 2015 Newsletter](#). Below are a few bright ideas we wanted to share. If you have any, please let us know so we can share it too.

**A** **Portable Assistive Listening System:**  
Per CBC 2013 11B-219, an *assistive listening system shall be provided in assembly areas, including conference and meeting rooms*. This is one of the rare building code requirement that requires a non-building solution. At PAMF San Carlos Center where all of the conference rooms served 50 or less people and there are no fixed systems, the portable assistive listening system was purchased from the Listen Technology ([link](#)). Work with your AV vendor and Access Specialist on the details of the system. Also, work with the affiliate and ADA coordinator to ensure that the right people are properly trained and appropriate ALS signage is compliant.

**B** **Exam Side Chair:**  
At the SMF Auburn Oncology Barrier Mitigation project, the project team was challenged with relocating furniture and equipment within the existing exam rooms to meet required clearances. They proposed a Wieland Healthcare plyfold folding chair solution ([link](#)) for the visitor chair that is compliant with a required policy that the chairs are placed in the "home location" per [BIN 6](#).

**C** **PTD and SD at countertop lavatories:**  
Reach range to paper towel and soap dispensers over countertop lavatories are especially challenging when they are not next to a wall. One idea is to install a casework "side wall" next to the lavatory to mount the dispensers within compliant reach ranges like at Sutter Medical Center Sacramento.



PAC Portal Links: [internal Sutter Health](#) and [external vendor](#)