



FaceToFace™ **PC Communicator** Deaf-Blind Solution



FaceToFace at a Glance

- Initiate one-on-one conversations on your PAC Mate Omni with sighted parties in the same room who have a Bluetooth-capable PC or PDA
- Send messages with the PAC Mate Omni's QWERTY or Perkins-style keyboard
- Read responses through the braille display
- Save conversations to a text file
- Copy from text files and paste into FaceToFace conversations
- Paste text from Address and Contact files into FaceToFace conversations
- Battery level shows on the braille display

Now Bluetooth™ connectivity teams with PAC Mate Omni™ - the world's leading accessible Pocket PC for the blind - to create the means by which deaf-blind individuals can engage in real time conversations with others, without the need for a specially-trained interpreter.

- Chat with friends and family at home
- Converse with other PAC Mate Omni users
- Two-way live-text to teachers and educators who have a Bluetooth-capable PC or a PDA in the same room
- Consult with medical professionals using FaceToFace, while the doctor or nurse uses a PDA or Bluetooth-capable PC in the office or exam room

FaceToFace works much like a TTY call without a phone line. Two parties can communicate wirelessly at up to 30 feet apart. The deaf-blind party uses the PAC Mate's QWERTY or Perkins-style keyboard to write messages, and the sighted party types on a PC or Pocket PC.

The entire conversation displays on both devices – visually on the PC – and in braille on the PAC Mate Omni. Each party is identified, so it's easy to follow the context of the conversation.

A sample FaceToFace conversation:

A deaf-blind student needs to speak to his new teacher. He turns on his PAC Mate Omni and launches FaceToFace from the menu. The teacher turns on his Bluetooth-enabled laptop. The FaceToFace user copies and pastes into the conversation a message he has written and saved earlier. He sends this message to the teacher's laptop:

Michael: I am deaf and blind. I will communicate with you through this device. When I type GA, that means "go ahead," and you can respond. GA

Mr. Rice: I understand. This is a good way to communicate. GA

Michael: I need to ask about your policy for makeup work. I expect to be out for two weeks in November. GA

Mr. Rice: We can work something out. Can you be in touch by e-mail during your absence, so I can give you your assignments? GA

Michael: Yes. Can I also send finished assignments to you by e-mail? GA

Mr. Rice: Yes. I like your initiative. GA

Michael: Thank you. I'm looking forward to this class. SK

Conversations can be held with deaf-blind or sighted partners who have a braille display and PAC Mate or Bluetooth-capable PC.

If you make a typing error, just back-space and retype before sending. You also can pre-type routine messages (for instance, your greeting) and quickly copy and paste this information to initiate a conversation. Paste text from your Addresses and Contacts files right into your conversation.

FaceToFace includes the application and a CompactFlash® Bluetooth card. It can be run on a PAC Mate 4.1 or PAC Mate Omni. The PAC Mate Omni is available with either a 20-cell or 40-cell refreshable braille display, however, the PAC Mate and braille display must be purchased separately.

For a truly portable solution FaceToFace is available with a companion HP iPAQ Pocket PC for the sighted half of the conversation.



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