Accessibility, Universal Design, Barrier-Free Design, Assistive and Adaptive Technology/Environments
Resources in the Kreamer Family Resource Center

Books:
The accessible home
Connecting to learn: educational and assistive technology for people with disabilities

Periodicals:
Exceptional Parent (many articles on assistive technology and equipment, universal design, etc.; see especially the annual resource guide, and theme issues such as the July 2004 home improvement issue) available in print in the Kreamer FRC or online at http://www.eparent.com/

Quest (Muscular Dystrophy Association magazine has occasional articles about home remodeling, etc. to accommodate disability) available in print in the Kreamer FRC or online at http://www.mda.org/publications/Quest/q_curr.html with a link to advertisers' adaptive products and services

Local Organizations:
Universal Design Housing Network of Kansas City
2700 E 18th St, Ste 261
Kansas City MO 64127
816-235-8845
http://www.udhn.org/

Missouri Assistive Technology Project
4731 S Cochise Ste 114
Independence MO 64055-6975
1-800-647-8557 (in state)
816-373-5193
http://www.at.mo.gov/

Assistive Technology for Kansans Project
2601 Gabriel
Parsons KS 67357
1-800-526-3648 (in state)
620-421-8367
http://www.atk.ku.edu/

Capper Foundation (assistive technology)
3500 SW 10th Ave
Topeka KS 66604-1995
785-272-4060
http://www.capper.org/
Technology Resource Solutions for People
1710 W Schilling Road
Salina KS 67401
785-827-9383
1-800-526-9731
http://www.occk.com/trsp.htm

Websites:
Center for Universal Design
http://www.design.ncsu.edu/cud/

DisabilityInfo.gov (note Housing resources, for example)
http://www.disabilityinfo.gov/

CAST (Center for Applied Special Technology): Universal Design for Learning
http://www.cast.org/

AARP Home Design Guide
http://www.aarp.org/life/homedesign/
Accessible Design/Universal Design Resources (lots of links)
http://www.makoa.org/accessable-design.htm
Universal Design Network http://www.universaldesign.net/
Adaptive Environments http://www.adaptiveenvironments.org/ (note Housing Resources at

Universal Design Principles can Aid All

Home & Garden TV: Universal Design
http://www.hgtv.com/hgtv/dc_design_universal_design/0,1792,HGTV_3385,00.html

Many online house plans web sites have sections for accessible housing or universal design plans. Your public library also carries house plan books; these may have sections for universal design floor plans (wider halls and doors, no-step entries, 5 foot turn radius in bathrooms, etc.) Examples of web sites follow:
http://www.b4ubuild.com/plans/accessible_design.shtml
http://www.orderhomeplans.com/exec/action/psp/content/159/hspos/B4UNET
http://www.eplans.com/features/universal-design.hwx
http://www.dreamhomesource.com/universal-design/universal-design-house-plans.hwx
http://www.design.ncsu.edu/cud/pubs_p/phouseplans.htm
http://www.universaldesignonline.com/homeplans.html

ABLEDATA (Assistive Technology, Accessible Housing, etc.—comprehensive)
http://www.abledata.com/
AdaptiveMall.com (adaptive devices and positioning products for special needs children)
http://www.adaptivemall.com/
Family Village Shopping Mall (adaptive equipment, clothing, etc.—wide-ranging)
http://www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/mall.htm

Web Accessibility and Universal Design http://template.bsd.uchicago.edu/accessibility.html
World Wide Access: Accessible Web Design
http://www.washington.edu/doit/Brochures/Technology/universal.design.html

These resources and others are available in the Kreamer Family Resource Center, ground floor of the Sutherland Tower in Children’s Mercy Hospital, or call 816-234-3900 to arrange pick up from the Children’s Mercy South Information desk. If you are not a patient of Children’s Mercy Hospital & Clinics, books may be borrowed through Interlibrary Loan: contact your local librarian to arrange this.
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