

RENEW Rehabilitation for

Empowerment, Natural Supports, Education, & Work



Bureau of Special Education Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network

RENEW is structured school-to-career transition planning and an individualized wraparound process for youth with emotional and behavioral challenges. Developed in 1996 by staff at the Institute on Disability, RENEW is being provided by schools and community mental health providers. The model focuses on supporting each youth to design and pursue a plan for the transition from school to adult life. RENEW has substantially increased high school completion, employment, and post-secondary education participation rates among our most vulnerable youth.

Key Features	
V	Self Determination
V	Personal Futures Planning
V	Creative and Individualized School to Career Planning
V	Strengths-Based Approach
V	Unconditional Care
V	Building Family and other Natural and Community Supports
V	Wraparound
V	Systematic Support and Consultation

Outcomes

- Improved educational outcomes (increased graduation rates, post-secondary education participation)
- Increased employment rates
- Improved functioning in the school and the community
- Reductions in behavior problems in school and in the community
- High youth satisfaction rates
- Increased youth self-determination and self-efficacy skills (Studies from various cohorts support these outcomes.)

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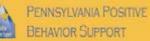
RENEW in Pennsylvania			
Landscape	RENEW is being implemented in over 70 sites across Pennsylvania. It draws upon the support of multiple departments and agencies in the state. It is part of the Behavior initiative and Secondary Transition initiative.		
Partners	 Institute on Disability, University of New Hampshire PA Training & Technical Assistance Network (PaTTAN) Youth and Family Training Institute Community Care Behavioral Health PA Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs PA Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education PA Department of Health, Bureau of Family Health, Division of Community Systems and Outreach PA Department of Labor and Industry, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation PA Department of Human Services, Office of Developmental Programs Consulting Systems PA Department of Human Services, Office of Children & Youth, Bureau of Policy and Program Development PA Department of Human Services, Office of Children & Youth, Juvenile Justice PA Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, Bureau of Children's Mental Health Services PA Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health, Children's Services PA Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health, Children's Network 		

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Please visit the PaTTAN website for videos discussing the perspectives of students, families, and staff that have participated in RENEW, a Youth Voice conference session highlighting the RENEW process across two years resulting in graduation, and several overview presentations done at state conferences.

http://www.pattan.net/category/Educational%20Initiatives/Behavior/page/L earn_More_About_RENEW_in_Pennsylvania.html







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The Impact of RENEW at the Individual Student Level

