



# Probation Overview of PACTT Affiliation for Providers

The Pennsylvania Academic, Career and Technical Training (PACTT) initiative consists of a group of residential facilities, community-based programs and probation offices that have voluntarily agreed to work toward enhancing services to adjudicated youth in the areas of academics, work-related services, and job skills training.

Some benefits to probation offices of a provider being affiliated with PACTT include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Affiliated programs are part of a network where they not only meet a set of standards but also have opportunities to have input into what the standards are.
- Programs can work with PACTT's staff and other affiliated agencies while sharing experiences and insights into what they've found to be effective.
- PACTT staff living regionally throughout the state are available to provide on-site technical assistance, support and assist with program development.
- Annual reviews are conducted by PACTT staff to identify strengths, areas of improvement, and areas where programs may not meet standards. Subsequently, PACTT staff work collaboratively to build upon strengths and address those areas in need of improvement.
- As a PACTT affiliate, agencies have access to non-competitive grants of up to \$75,000 over a five-year period and a competitive innovation grant of up to \$75,000 to enhance their programming.
- Through a Memorandum of Understanding between PACTT and the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, programs have access to a funding source designed to assist youth with disabilities to advance to their highest possible level of academic achievement, become economically self-sufficient, and prepare them to secure or retain competitive integrated employment.
- In collaboration with a private research company, PACTT's database used by affiliated programs provides the opportunity to gather Pennsylvania specific information related to employment, job training and academic services provided to adjudicated youth.
- Probation offices have access to agency-specific "Public Reports" generated by affiliated programs each January and July. Useful information contained in these reports include an overview of the program, their PACTT related services and outcomes in areas of affiliation.

Additional information about the PACTT initiative, to obtain the most recent list of affiliated programs or to find your local PACTT representative please see our website. You can also email PACTT's resource account at [RA-PWBJSPACTT@pa.gov](mailto:RA-PWBJSPACTT@pa.gov).

#### **PACTT Website**

<http://www.pactt-alliance.org/Pages/default.aspx>

#### **Elements of Participation**

[http://www.pactt-alliance.org/Documents/Stakeholder%20Overview%20Elements%20of%20Participation%20-%203%20Types%20\(January%202021\).pdf](http://www.pactt-alliance.org/Documents/Stakeholder%20Overview%20Elements%20of%20Participation%20-%203%20Types%20(January%202021).pdf)

#### **Affiliate's Public Reports**

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Children/PACTT/Pages/PACTT.aspx>