

Pennsylvania's Initiative on Assistive Technology— PIAT Programs

Assistive
Technology (AT)
at school
at work
at home
in the community



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Device Demonstrations

Hands-on opportunities to learn more about different AT devices so individuals and families can make an informed choice about what will work best for them.

Device Loans

Pennsylvanians of any age and ability can borrow AT devices, at no cost, to “try before they buy” at work, school, home or in their community before purchasing a device.

Recycled and Exchanged Equipment Partnership

Previously-owned devices--an affordable option to buying new-- can be found through several outlets including a classified listing of used devices, an online auction site and/or recycling programs that repair devices.

Public Awareness Activities

- Assistance via phone, e-mail or U.S. Mail, about the availability of AT devices and services;
- AT exhibits and presentations at conferences, group meetings, in-services, and other events;
- Individualized assistance helps consumers understand funding options to obtain AT.

Telecommunication Device Distribution Program (TDDP)

Eligible Pennsylvanians with disabilities can obtain free telephone equipment to help improve access to the phone, Pennsylvania's TDDP is administered by PIAT.

AT Training and Technical Assistance

Training events educate health care providers, educators, employers, agency staff, as well as people with disabilities and their families, increasing AT-related knowledge and skills. Technical assistance provides collaborative problem-solving with public and private agencies to develop and improve policies related to AT.