Pennsylvania’s Initiative on Assistive Technology—
PIAT Programs

**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.

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