## Weekly Updates: December 20, 2019

On December 17, 2019, the Pennsylvania Department of Education sent a Dear Colleague letter in regards to Unapproved Alternative Education Disciplinary Programs. This letter does not apply to provisionally approved Alternative Education for Disruptive Youth ("AEDY") Programs. Specifically, if you if you have applied to send to an AEDY program and/or to operate as an LEA, IU, CTC and private provider you are responsible to comply with all AEDY requirements per the feedback you have received from the AEDY team. All provisionally approved AEDY providers who do not comply with updated PDE requirements will jeopardize their provisional approval status.

We are actively working to support your AEDY needs and requests. Please contact us at AEDY@pattan.net.

#### **SURVEY:**

How can we support your training needs? Please take this survey and give us your input.

# http://bit.ly/AEDYtraining



# **Application Update**

LEAs who have not submitted an application since the start of the school year must submit an application to PDE through Leader Services. Failure to submit the application will result in no longer being approved to send students to an AEDY Program.

If you have submitted an application and received provisional approval status, you will need to revise the AEDY Application and resubmit to continue the revision process. If we do not receive an updated application, we will alert the AEDY Providers that you are no longer approved to send students to an AEDY Program.

If we can assist you with the Application submission process, please contact AEDY@pattan.net.

## **Referral Process Update:**

- The documents needed to program for the student's educational services while in AEDY (e.g. Manifestation Determination, Evaluation Report, IEP, NOREP, Individual EL plan, etc.) are to be shared from the LEA to the AEDY Program. During the monitoring process, the LEA and the AEDY Program will be required to provide the most current documents for file review.
- 2. All students who are seated in AEDY programs are required to be 'in placement' in the system and have a 45-day review calculated. Reporting to PDE requires that ALL students in placement have their date of entry documented in the AEDY Program, including those students placed prior to the start of this school year, and the correct 45-day calculation. The picture below illustrates the requirements for LEA and AEDY review.
  - a. If the student is ready for transition, the document is added and you will click the button "ready to transition".
  - b. If after the 45-day review, the student will remain, you will add this document and click the button "remain in placement".

