

## PACTT AFFILIATE PUBLIC REPORT

Agencies affiliated with the Pennsylvania Academic, Career and Technical Training (PACTT) Alliance have voluntarily agreed to meet standards in one or more of the following areas: Academics; work related services; and job skills training. Through their efforts, the affiliated agencies work to support goals outlined in the Advancing Competency Development: A White Paper for Pennsylvania and Pennsylvania's Juvenile Act. These include, but are not limited to:

- Helping youth improve their chances of having a successful educational experience.
- Developing a set of study and learning skills and basic reading, writing, and math skills.
- Helping youth to catch up in school and advance in school to the highest possible level of academic achievement.
- Developing workforce skills for getting a job, keeping a job, and achieving promotion.
- Developing workforce programs that promote economic self-sufficiency, are grounded in principles of youth development, and connected to further education and long-term career opportunities.
- Helping older youth improve their chances of being economically self-sufficient after high school.
- Developing competencies that will enable youth to become responsible and productive members of the community.

**Note:** During the reporting period the number of individuals that would have been included in the report was less than the minimum number being utilized for the purpose of ensuring confidentiality and anonymity. Therefore, outcome data is not included. However, information related to the affiliate's program and its offerings is included below.

Program Information	
Name:	Weslely Family Services
County Location of Program:	Allegheny
Genders Served:	Males & Females
Phone Number:	412-342-2300
Date Range of Data Included:	1/1/21-6/30/21
Program Type:	
<ol> <li>Community-Based</li> <li>Open Residential</li> <li>Secure</li> </ol>	Yes No Yes No X Yes No X
PACTT Affiliation Type(s):	
<ol> <li>Academics</li> <li>Work Related Services</li> <li>Job Skills Training</li> </ol>	Yes No X Yes No Vo Xes No Xes No Xes
Website:	www.wfspa.org

Program Description:

Wesley Family Services provides quality behavioral healthcare and therapeutic support services that support the needs of children, adults, and families throughout their lifespan. Wesley Family Services is a non-profit organization that serves more than 30,000 individuals and families in Western PA. Wesley Family Services' programs address autism, intellectual disabilities, behavioral health, education and provide family In support services. Wesley Family Services believes that caring therapists, physicians, counselors, clinicians, and caseworkers can help whenever youth & families face challenges they may be trying to navigate. Where there is help, there is always hope. With more than 65 behavioral healthcare services and support programs, Wesley Family Services works closely with those served and tailors their approach to meet the unique needs of every individual. As an organization, Wesley Family Services provides behavioral healthcare services and support programs to individuals in their homes, communities, and schools - whatever best meets the needs of those served.

Wesley Family Services' In-Home Family Preservation and Stabilizaton Services provide intensive family-focused interventions for children and families referred by the County Juvenile Probation Departments (JPO) and/or Office of Children, Youth, & Families (OCYF). Wesley Family Services utilizes a Structural Strategic Family Therapy Model of counseling; this model is research-based, evidence-informed, and outcome-focused. The strategic approach focuses on the interactional patterns within the family. Families are empowered to identify strengths, competencies, resources, and options. Families are directed to understand problems in new, more helpful ways, and to experience new ways of interacting or solving problems. Sessions typically occur two to three times a week, providing maximum flexibility in a range of intensity levels. Service delivery requires that staff be available weeknights and weekends for in-home sessions as well as 24-hour crisis support or intervention.

Overview of General PACTT Requirements for all Affiliates:

- Utilize PACTT's Employability and Soft Skills Manual (ESSM) with all youth, age 14 and older.
- Document ESSM training progress and at the discharge, includes this information as part of the youth's
- educational record and probation discharge packet.
- Develop a discharge portfolio for youth that indicates their progress toward completion of competencies.
- Offer opportunities for remediation in numeracy and literacy, credit recovery and/or acceleration.
- For youth having a disability, facilitate their involvement with the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation.
- Assist youth in accessing career/technical training, post-secondary education, and job placement opportunities.
- Offer at least one (1) of the following basic certificates: OSHA-10, ServSafe, MOS; International Computer
- Driving License (ICDL).

Available industry-recognized certificates or certifications that are portable credentials validating that a youth successfully demonstrated skill competencies in a core set of content and performance standards in a specific set of work-related tasks.

ServSafe Food Handler

## Work Related Services

**Overview of PACTT Work Related Services Affiliation Requirements:** 

- Conduct a work skills assessment with all youth between the age of 14-21.
- Conduct an interest assessment with all youth between the age of 14-21.
- Directly offer, or make available through another entity, opportunities for youth to participate in a paid work-based learning experience.
- Ensure that an evaluative process is in place, to include providing youth with regular feedback about their performance.
- Establish relationships with employers to provide paid work experience opportunities for youth.
- Establish connections for youth with employment resources.
- In youth's area(s) of interest, identify potential employers in the communities where youth currently live or will be returning to after placement.
- *Review the Department of Labor and Industry's High Priority Occupations with youth, to include those from the region where they will be living.*

## Additional Program Information

In addition to assisting youth with career planning and job searches, WFS staff help youth explore their educational interests and encourage participation in ongoing educational opportunites.