

YFIT (Youth and Family Involvement in Teams) Survey

Youth Questionnaire

(Haber & Malloy, 2011)

INSTRUCTIONS: This survey asks about the experiences of you and your family with the RENEW program. More specifically, we want to know: 1) how you feel about the program overall; 2) whether RENEW has helped you to be more in control of your life and your goals; 3) whether you are happy with how your parents and other adults have been involved in the RENEW process.

Please answer as honestly as you can. Information you share will help us to improve RENEW program.

Student First Initial and Last Name: _____ Date of Interview: ___/___/___

RENEW Facilitator: _____ School: _____

Interviewer: _____ Date of Enrollment: ___/___/___

Student's Date of Birth: ___/___/___ Gender: Male Female

Would you describe yourself as primarily:

- White
- African-American
- Hispanic or Latino
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- African
- Other: _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SATISFACTION ITEMS: For this first set of items, please think about all services and other supports that you and your family have received for the past 6 months. This may include support from your RENEW facilitator, or other services, such as individual counseling or support from other adults, working with your RENEW team, help in getting a job, planning for college or training programs, or other types of help.

We are interested in knowing how satisfied or dissatisfied you have been with the services and support you have received during the past 6 months. Please check only ONE box for each item.

1. Overall, how satisfied were you with the services that you have received through the RENEW process?

Very Dissatisfied Dissatisfied Neutral Satisfied Very Satisfied

2. How satisfied were you with your level of involvement in planning your services with your RENEW facilitator and team?

Very Dissatisfied Dissatisfied Neutral Satisfied Very Satisfied

3. How satisfied have you been with your progress in the last six months?

Very Dissatisfied Dissatisfied Neutral Satisfied Very Satisfied

4. Have the services and supports you received been helpful?

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Not at all helpful Not helpful enough Neutral Somewhat Helpful Very Helpful

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ITEMS ABOUT TEAMS: The next set of questions are about your RENEW team. Please answer these questions about your team and goals of the team.

5. Over the past six months, on average, about how frequently has your team met (Check **ONE** box below):

Weekly Twice a month Monthly Every two months Less than every two months

6. Over the past six months, who has *regularly participated* in your planning meetings (i.e., at least half the time, check **ALL** that apply)?

You

The RENEW facilitator

Your parent or primary caregiver

At least one of your teachers at school

At least one other person from outside the school who is paid to help (e.g., mental health provider, vocational rehabilitation counselor)

Please describe this participant briefly: _____

At least one other person from outside the school who is *unpaid* (e.g., friend of youth, family, neighbor, employer)

7. (If any of the last three boxes in item #6 are checked): Please describe the roles of these people -- what did they for you and why they were at your meeting:

a. Teacher at school (if checked):

b. Paid person from outside school (if checked):

c. Unpaid person from outside school (if checked):

8. What were the initial goals of your plan? (name up to three):

9. Did goals change over time? Yes No

If yes, how did goals change? _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ITEMS ABOUT TEAM PROCESS: The following questions are about how you and your team worked together. Please answer honestly how much you agree or disagree with each statement (Check **ONE** box only for each item).

10. I decided who would participate in meetings.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree

11. Someone helped me to decide the topics that would be on the agenda for meetings.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree

12. Someone helped me plan what I wanted to say at meetings.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree

13. Before the meetings, I got answers to any questions I had about the meetings.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree

14. I led the meetings.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree

15. I made new and valuable connections through this process.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ITEMS ABOUT PARENT INVOLVEMENT: The following questions focus on how your parent(s) (or other people who are responsible for you) were involved in the RENEW process.

16. First, who would you say is the person or people who are most responsible for taking care of you in your home or where you are living right now (this is your parent(s), grandparent(s), foster parent(s), your friend's mother or father, or group home staff member)? You may name up to ONE female and ONE male:

Female: _____

Is this your parent? Yes No

Male: _____

Is this your parent? Yes No

Please answer the following questions about how your parent(s) or the people you named in #16 were involved in the RENEW process. Please check ONE box for each item.

17. Overall, I am comfortable with how my parent(s) (others most responsible for me) were involved in the planning process.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree

18. Sometimes there were differences between what I wanted and what my parent(s)(those most responsible for me) wanted.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree

19. When there were differences between what I wanted and what my parent(s) (those most responsible for me) wanted, the team went with what I wanted to do.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree

20. I had the final say in all decisions.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree

21. Overall, I would say that I and not my parent(s) (those most responsible for me) or other adults led in the development of the plan.

Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ITEMS ABOUT LEADERSHIP: Please answer the following questions about ways in which you took leadership in your RENEW program in your own words. This is a great opportunity for you to talk about how RENEW helped you to take the lead in planning your life, and ways in which the program might have helped more.

22. In what ways did you take more leadership (you felt greater ownership, interest, control) over your services in the RENEW process compared to other programs you may have been in?

23. What were ways in which you took leadership and control in RENEW services helpful to you?

24. Were there ways in which you took leadership and control of RENEW services made you uncomfortable?

Yes No

If yes, what were these?

25. What might you change about how you were encouraged to take leadership and control of your services in the RENEW program?
