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### **Publication**

Future Now is a GED preparatory program housed at Bronx Community College offering programs tailored to meet each students personal and educational needs, prepare them for college, and support students through their first year of enrollment. Future Now's individualized approach and commitment to building resilience in each student are core principles that guide this continuously evolving program as it seeks out new ways of increasing program retention, success, and college enrollment.

During the academic year 2013-2014, Vera conducted surveys, focus groups, and interviews with Future Now students and staff and analyzed program data from Future Now and the City University of New York. Through these activities, Vera learned about students experiences and educational outcomes, and identified the core program components necessary for the programs successful replication.

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