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Advocacy for Special Health Care Needs		
Resource	Description	Contact Information
<u>Bedford-Somerset Developmental and Behavioral Health Services</u>	Bedford-Somerset Developmental and Behavioral Health Services promotes family centered services in the early intervention program, recovery and resilience in the mental health program, and self-determination in the intellectual disabilities program.	http://dbhs.co/ Bedford Office: 1-814-623-5166 1-877-814-5166
<u>Juvenile Law Center</u>	The Juvenile Law Center seeks to advance the rights and well-being of children in jeopardy and serves as a resource for older youth and young adults in Pennsylvania who are aging out of the foster care system.	http://jlc.org/resources/courty-resource-guide/bedford 1-888-864-6393
<u>Pennsylvania Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service</u>	Pennsylvania Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service matches clients to a Pennsylvania lawyer in a specific area of law.	http://www.pabar.org/public/localbar/index.asp 1-800-932-0311
<u>Community Resources for Independence, Inc.</u>	This agency is a community based, non-residential, non-profit corporation that provides services to individuals with disabilities to maximize their independence and the accessibility of the communities in which they live.	http://www.crinet.org/ 1-800-530-5541 1-814-838-7222 TTY: 1-814-838-8115
<u>Bedford County Assistance Office</u>	Pennsylvanians can seek assistance and a range of services for themselves and their families from professionally trained staff members at county assistance offices.	http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/findfacilsandlocs/courtyassistanceofficecontactinformation/ Toll Free: 1-800-542-8584 1-814-623-6127
<u>Office of Vocational Rehabilitation</u>	The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation provides assistance with obtaining and maintaining employment to individuals with disabilities.	http://www.dli.pa.gov/individuals/disability-services/ovr/pages/OVR-office-directory.aspx 1-866-695-7673 TTY: 1-866-320-7956
<u>Special Kids Network</u>	The Special Kids Network is a statewide referral service designed to serve families of children with chronic health or disabling conditions through information and service coordination.	www.gotoskn.state.pa.us 1-800-986-4550

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<u>Disability Rights Pennsylvania</u>	<p>Disability Rights Pennsylvania has helped tens of thousands of children and adults with disabilities access special education services, obtain needed health and mental health care, and gain access to employment and housing. It also intervenes to stop the abuse, neglect and rights violations of Pennsylvanians with disabilities.</p>	<p>http://disabilityrightspa.org</p> <p>Harrisburg: 1-800-692-7443 or 1-717-236-8110;</p> <p>Philadelphia: 1-215-238-8070;</p> <p>Pittsburgh: 1-412-391-5225</p>
<u>Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender National Help Center</u>	<p>The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender National Help Center serves gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and questioning people by providing free and confidential peer support and local resources.</p>	<p>http://www.youthtalkline.org/</p> <p>Youth Talkline: 1-800-246-7743</p> <p>National Hotline: 1-888-843-4564</p>
<u>Center for Community Action</u>	<p>The Center for Community Action offers many programs, such as housing rehabilitation and modification programs, the Medical Assistance Transportation Program, Child Care Information Services, Homeless Assistance Program, Emergency Food and Shelter Program, transitional housing, emergency housing, senior housing, family and financial literacy and General Equivalency Diploma services, the Emergency Food Assistance Program, case management, and employment services.</p>	<p>http://centerforcommunityaction.org/</p> <p>1-814-623-9129</p> <p>1-800-323-9997</p>
<u>United States Department of Labor Disability Resources</u>	<p>The purpose of the United States Department of Labor Disability Resources is to foster, promote and develop the welfare of wage earners, job seekers and retirees of the United States; improve working conditions; advance opportunities for profitable employment; and assure work-related benefits and rights.</p>	<p>https://www.disability.gov/</p> <p>1-866-487-2365</p> <p>1-866-4-USA-DOL</p>
<u>Pennsylvania Client Assistance Program</u>	<p>This is an advocacy program for people with disabilities seeking services in employment and housing.</p>	<p>http://www.equalemployment.org/</p> <p>1-888-745-2357</p>
<u>Pennsylvania Office of Victim Advocate -- Locate a Victim Service Agency</u>	<p>The Pennsylvania Office of Victim Advocate is dedicated to representing, protecting and advancing the individual and collective rights and interests of crime victims.</p>	<p>http://www.ova.pa.gov/Services/Resources/LocateaVictimServiceAgency/Pages/default.aspx</p> <p>1-800-563-6399</p>

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Pennsylvania Families, Inc.	Pennsylvania Families, Inc. is the statewide family network that convenes families of children in child-serving systems, connects them to information and resources to maximize their quality of life, and collaborates to improve community supports, services and family outcomes.	http://pafamiliesinc.org/ 1-800-947-4941
Social Security Administration	The Social Security Administration offers a listing of local offices and resources where individuals can apply for Social Security benefits.	https://www.socialsecurity.gov/ 1-800-772-1213
Bureau of Autism Services	This is a department within the Department of Human Services specifically addressing the needs, issues and concerns of people with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Pennsylvania.	http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/autismservices/index.htm 1-866-539-7689
Bedford-Somerset Developmental & Behavioral Health Services	DBHS promotes family centered services in their early intervention program, recovery and resilience in their mental health program, and self-determination in their intellectual disabilities program.	http://dbhs.co/ 1-814-623-5166 1-877-814-5166
Northwest Human Services	The Northwest Human Services is a provider of education and human services to individuals with special needs.	http://www.nhsonline.org/ 1-888-647-0020
Goodwill Industries International, Inc.	Goodwill works to enhance the dignity and quality of life of individuals and families by strengthening communities, eliminating barriers to opportunity, and helping people in need reach their full potential through learning and the power of work.	http://www.goodwill.org/fi nd-jobs-and-services/ (Refer to website for local sites and phone numbers.)
Lifesteps, Inc.	Lifesteps helps individuals and families with changing needs by developing programs and providing services which will improve their quality of life.	http://www.lifesteps.net/index.jsp 1-800-225-2010
AHEDD, Inc.	The mission of AHEDD is to serve the community as a catalyst in the employment and development of people with disabilities.	http://www.ahedd.org/ 1-866-902-4333
Pennsylvania Association for the Blind	The Pennsylvania Association for the Blind provides a span of services to help Pennsylvania's citizens prevent, prepare for and manage vision loss.	http://www.pablind.org/ 1-717-766-2020
National Runaway Safeline	The National Runaway Safeline is a toll-free, nationwide hotline for runaways and troubled youth. It provides information and referral for shelter; counseling, medical and legal services; and transportation back home.	https://www.1800runaway.org/ 1-800-786-2929

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Kaleidoscope Family Solutions, Inc.	<p>Kaleidoscope Family Solutions, Inc. Pennsylvania is a Medicaid approved provider that supports individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.</p>	<p>http://kfamilysolutions.org/services/ 1-877-384-1729</p>
Kids As Self Advocates	<p>Kids As Self Advocates is a national, grassroots project created by youth with disabilities for youth. Activities include representing the voice of youth living with disabilities and chronic health conditions by speaking to policy makers at public events and hearings, and educating communities, including students, teachers and administrators, medical students and physicians.</p>	<p>http://fvkasa.org/index.php 1-207-458-1009</p>
Pennsylvania Elks Home Service Program	<p>Since 1963, the Pennsylvania Elks Home Service Program has been helping to improve the quality of life for thousands of children and adults throughout Pennsylvania. The program provides support and advocacy services to individuals of any age who have a developmental disability.</p>	<p>http://www.paelkshomeservice.org/index.php For children under 21, call the Special Kids Network helpline at 1-800-986-4550. For adults over 21, contact the program director at 1- 814-781-7860</p>
The Parent Education and Advocacy Leadership Center	<p>The mission of the Parent Education and Advocacy Leadership Center is to educate and empower families to ensure that children, youth and young adults with disabilities and special health care needs lead rich, active lives as full members of their schools and communities.</p>	<p>https://pealcenter.org/ 1-866-950-1040</p>
Pennsylvania Care Planning Council	<p>The Pennsylvania Care Planning Council lists companies and individual providers on this website that help families deal with the crisis and burden of long-term care.</p>	<p>http://www.carepennsylvania.org/a2_PA_members.htm 1-800-989-8137</p>

Assistive Technology		
Resource	Description	Contact Information
Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation	<p>Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation is a statewide, non-profit organization that helps individuals with disabilities and older Pennsylvanians acquire the assistive technology devices and services they want.</p>	<p>http://patf.us/ 1-888-744-1938</p>

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<u>Caroline's Cart</u>	<p>Caroline's Cart was created for special needs individuals. It provides caregivers a viable option to transport a special needs individual through a store while shopping without having to maneuver a wheelchair and a traditional shopping cart at the same time.</p>	<p>https://technibilt.com/carolines-cart/ 1-828-464-7388</p>
<u>Free Library of Philadelphia, Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped</u>	<p>The Free Library of Philadelphia's Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped serves Pennsylvania residents who have difficulty reading due to a physical impairment, a reading disability or a vision challenge.</p>	<p>http://www.freelibrary.org/lbph/ 1-800-222-1754 1-215-683-3217</p>

Counseling for Special Health Care Needs

Resource	Description	Contact Information
<u>Alternative Community Resource Program</u>	<p>Alternative Community Resource Program offers educational services, mental and behavioral health services, and community and recreational services throughout Cambria, Somerset, Bedford, and Blair counties.</p>	<p>http://acrpkids.org/</p>
<u>The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration</u>	<p>The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration offers a "Behavioral Health Treatment Locator" through which the user can search for a provider by address or zip code. The agency also offers a national helpline which provides free and confidential information in English and Spanish for individuals and family members facing substance abuse and mental health issues. The hotline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.</p>	<p>https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/ 1-800-662-4357 TDD:1-800-487-4889</p>

Early Childhood and Child Care

Resource	Description	Contact Information
<u>Pennsylvania Department of Human Services</u>	<p>The mission of the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services is to improve the quality of life for Pennsylvania's individuals and families. It promotes opportunities for independence through services and supports while demonstrating accountability for taxpayer resources.</p>	<p>http://www.dhs.pa.gov/ 1-800-692-7462</p>

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Child Care Works Subsidized Child Care	<p>The Child Care Works Subsidized Child Care program helps low-income families pay their child care fees. The state and federal governments fund this program, which is managed by the Child Care Information Services office located in each county.</p>	<p>http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/childcareearlylearning/childcareworkssubsidizedchildcareprogram/ 1-724-847-0145 1-800-322-8504</p>
Bedford/Fulton County Head Start	<p>Head Start is a comprehensive preschool program for low-income children ages birth through 5 years of age. It provides children with a developmentally appropriate early childhood education.</p>	<p>http://paheadstart.org/program/bedfordfulton-county-head-start/ 1-814-624-3200</p>

Early Intervention

Resource	Description	Contact Information
Pennsylvania Department of Education Early Intervention Program	<p>The Pennsylvania Early Intervention Program provides support and services to families with children, from birth to age 5, with developmental delays and disabilities.</p>	<p>www.education.pa.gov : select EARLY Learning. CONNECT Helpline at 1-800-692-7288</p>
<p>CONNECT Helpline:</p>	<p>The CONNECT Helpline assists families in locating resources and providing information regarding child development for children ages birth to age five. In addition, CONNECT can assist parents by making a direct link to their county early intervention program or local preschool early intervention program.</p>	<p>1-800-692-7288</p>

Health Insurance

Resource	Description	Contact Information
Pennsylvania's Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)	<p>CHIP puts health coverage within reach for all uninsured kids and teens who are not eligible for or enrolled in Medical Assistance.</p>	<p>http://www.chipcoverspkids.com/Pages/default.aspx</p>
<p>COMPASS</p>	<p>COMPASS is an online application for Pennsylvanians to apply for many health and human service programs.</p>	<p>www.compass.state.pa.us</p>

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APPRISE	<p>This free health insurance counseling program is designed to help Pennsylvanians who are 65 years of age or older with Medicare.</p>	<p>http://www.aging.pa.gov/aging-services/insurance/Pages/default.aspx 1-800-783-7067</p>
Huntingdon/Bedford/Fulton Area Agency on Aging (AAA)	<p>The purpose of the Huntingdon-Bedford-Fulton Area Agency on Aging is to provide a comprehensive social service delivery system for the elderly or functionally disabled populations of Huntingdon, Bedford and Fulton counties.</p>	<p>http://www.hbfaaa.org/ 1-814-623-8148 1-800-892-7903</p>
Medicare Part D	<p>Information about the Part D prescription drug benefit available to individuals enrolled in Medicare can be found at this site.</p>	<p>https://www.medicare.gov/part-d/</p>
HealthCare.gov	<p>HealthCare.gov is the insurance exchange website operated under the United States federal government under the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.</p>	<p>https://www.healthcare.gov/ 1-800-318-2596</p>
HealthChoices	<p>HealthChoices provides access to quality medical care through Pennsylvania's Medicaid program, connects people who receive Medicaid benefits to mental health and drug/alcohol services, and serves more people in the community rather than in facilities.</p>	<p>http://www.healthypa.com/ 1-866-550-4355</p>
Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Medical Assistance	<p>Medical Assistance, also known as Medicaid and sometimes referred to as MA, pays for health care services for eligible individuals.</p>	<p>http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/healthcaremedicalassistance/index.htm 1-866-550-4355.</p>
Presumptive Eligibility	<p>Presumptive Eligibility provides insurance coverage for pregnant woman who have applied for Medicaid but are still under eligibility review.</p>	<p>http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/healthcaremedicalassistance/healthybeginnings/index.htm</p>
Pennsylvania-Health-Coverage.com	<p>This privately-owned website is a place to compare affordable maternity health insurance options.</p>	<p>http://www.pennsylvania-health-coverage.com/maternity?sid=SEM-H-AIW-G-4Zjq7ehl&c2=32268938927&c1=c&gclid=CPWZqKS2hr4CFYtDMgodS0cATQ 1-877-536-4809</p>

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Resource Guide to Healthcare Options in Pennsylvania	<p>The Resource Guide to Healthcare Options in Pa. allows extension educators and others to locate programs for low-income individuals seeking access to health care services.</p>	http://news.psu.edu/story/319753/2014/07/01/impact/resource-guide-health-care-options-available-pa-residents
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Housing		
Resource	Description	Contact Information
Information and Referral of South Central Counties	<p>The mission of Information and Referral of South Central Counties is to improve the accessibility of human services to all people by expanding services to communities and counties that are not currently served.</p>	http://informationreferral.tripod.com/ 1-814-643-4202
Center for Community Action Homeless Assist Program	<p>Center for Community Action Homeless Assist Program helps to assure homelessness can be avoided through prevention services and assisting homeless individuals to maintain affordable housing, find shelter and care, and move toward self-sufficiency.</p>	https://www.centerforcommunityaction.org/ 1-814-623-9129 1-800-323-9997
Housing and Urban Development	<p>Housing and Urban Development is a federal program that provides housing support for individuals in need, such as rental programs (including Section 8) and home ownership assistance programs. It also provides a hotline service for individuals to report incidences of housing discrimination.</p>	http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/states/pennsylvania/offices Philadelphia: 215-656-0500; Pittsburgh: 412-644-6428 Hotline: 1-888-799-2085
Juvenile Law Center	<p>The Juvenile Law Center seeks to advance the rights and well-being of children in jeopardy and serves as a resource for older youth and young adults in Pennsylvania who are aging out of the foster care system.</p>	http://jlc.org/resources/county-resource-guide/bedford 1-888-864-6393
PAHousingSearch.com	<p>PAHousingSearch.com is a free resource to help you find a home that fits your needs and budget. Property providers can list available apartments or homes at any time, which means the listings are current.</p>	http://www.pahousingsearch.com/index.html 1-877-428-8844
Northwest Human Services	<p>NHS provides residential living options, case/care management and therapeutic services for individuals with disabilities.</p>	http://www.nhsonline.org/services-idd.html 1-888-647-0020

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<u>Bedford County Abuse Center</u>	<p>The Bedford County Abuse Center provides shelter and social services for domestic violence victims: emergency shelter for individuals and families, information and referrals, a 24-hour hotline and counseling.</p>	<p>http://ilc.org/resources/county-resource-guide/bedford/bedford-county-abuse-center?state=Bedford 1-800-776-5974</p>
<u>PathStone</u>	<p>PathStone Housing Services promotes access to personal counseling and financial resources designed to stabilize living environments and support economic security.</p>	<p>http://www.pathstone.org/ 1-800-888-6770</p>
<u>Lifesteps, Inc.</u>	<p>Lifesteps, Inc. helps individuals and families with life's changing needs by developing programs and providing services that will improve their quality of life.</p>	<p>http://www.lifesteps.net/ 1-800-225-2010</p>

Medicaid Waivers for Children Under 21

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<u>Pennsylvania Department of Human Services</u>	<p>The mission of the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services is to improve the quality of life for Pennsylvania's individuals and families. It promotes opportunities for independence through services and supports while demonstrating accountability for taxpayer resources.</p>	<p>http://www.dhs.pa.gov/ 1-800-692-7462</p>
<u>Attendant Care/Act 150</u>	<p>The Attendant Care/Act 150 enables individuals with a physical disability, ages 18-59, who are mentally alert to continue to live in their homes with support and services.</p>	<p>http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/attendantcare/attendantcareact150/#.Vp5N28tliUk Long-Term Living Helpline: 1-800-753-8827</p>
<u>Community Services Program for Persons with Physical Disabilities/Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act Waiver</u>	<p>The Community Services Program for Persons with Physical Disabilities/Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act Waiver, provides services to people 18 or older with severe developmental and physical disabilities, such as cerebral palsy, epilepsy, or similar conditions (onset prior to age 22).</p>	<p>http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/alternativestonursinghomes/obrawaiver/ Long-Term Living Helpline, 1-800-753-8827</p>

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<u>Consolidated Waiver</u>	<p>The Pennsylvania Consolidated Waiver is designed to help individuals with an intellectual disability, autism or developmental disability to live more independently in their homes and communities and to provide a variety of services that promote community living, including self-directed service models and traditional, agency-based service models.</p>	<p><u>http://www.dhs.pa.gov/learnaboutdhs/waiverinformation/consolidatedwaiverforindividualswithintellectualdisabilities/S_000989</u></p>
<u>Person/Family Directed Support Waiver</u>	<p>The Pennsylvania Person/Family Directed Support Waiver is designed to help individuals with an intellectual disability, autism or developmental disability to live more independently in their homes and communities and to provide a variety of services that promote community living, including self-directed service models and traditional, agency-based service models.</p>	<p><u>http://www.dhs.pa.gov/learnaboutdhs/waiverinformation/personfamilydirectedsupportwaiver/index.htm</u></p>
<u>Independence Waiver</u>	<p>The Independence Waiver may be able to help adults with a severe physical disability live or remain in the community and remain as independent as possible.</p>	<p><u>http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/alternativestonursinghomes/independencewaiver/</u> 1-717-787-8091</p>
<u>Infant, Toddlers, and Families Waiver</u>	<p>The Infants, Toddlers, and Families Waiver provides services to children from birth to age 3 who need early intervention services and would otherwise require the level of care provided in an intermediate care facility for persons with intellectual disabilities or other related conditions.</p>	<p><u>http://dhs.pa.gov/learnaboutdhs/waiverinformation/infanttoddlersandfamilieswaiver/index.htm</u> 1- 717-346-1119</p>

Respite Care

Respite is planned or emergency care provided to a child or adult with special needs to provide temporary relief to family caregivers who are caring for that child or adult.

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<u>ARCH National Respite Network and Resource Center</u>	<p>The mission of the ARCH National Respite Network and Resource Center is to assist and promote the development of quality respite and crisis care programs, to help families locate respite and crisis care services in their communities, and to serve as a strong voice for respite in all forums.</p>	<p><u>https://archrespite.org/respitelocator</u> 1-919-490-5577</p>

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The Arc of Pennsylvania	<p>The Arc promotes and protects the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and actively supports their full inclusion and participation in the community throughout their lifetimes.</p>	http://www.thearc.org/Page.aspx?&pid=327
Community Living and Support Services	<p>The mission of Community Living and Support Services is to support people with disabilities as they explore options, participate in the community and strive toward equality. Community Living and Support Services offers behavioral health services, education and autism services, intellectual and developmental disabilities services, and foster care services.</p>	https://www.classcommunity.org/search/node/respite 1-412-683-7100 1-888-954-2424 TTY: 412-246-2255

Special Education

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Pennsylvania Bureau of Special Education Consult Line	<p>The ConsultLine is designed to assist parents and advocates of children with disabilities or children thought to be disabled. If individuals have any questions concerning their child's special education program or the laws relating to the provision of services in their child's Individualized Educational Program, the special education specialists at ConsultLine may be able to assist them.</p>	http://www.education.pa.gov/K-12/Special%20Education/Pages/Special-Education-in-PA---Consult-Line.aspx 1-800-879-2301
Pennsylvania Association of Intermediate Units	<p>Intermediate Units in Pennsylvania are part of the governance structure of public education and are located between the state education agency and the local school districts. They provide specialized services to local school districts that can be operated more effectively and efficiently on a regional basis.</p>	https://paiu.org/ius.php 1-717-732-8463

Support Groups

Resource	Description	Contact Information
Parent to Parent of Pennsylvania	<p>In Pennsylvania, the Parent to Parent model is a one-to-one match between an experienced mentor parent, called a peer support parent, and a parent seeking individualized support from another parent who has been in similar circumstances.</p>	http://www.parenttoparent.org/ 1-888-727-2706

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Pennsylvania Families, Inc.	Pennsylvania Families, Inc. is the statewide family network that convenes families of children in child-serving systems; connects them to information and resources to maximize their quality of life; and collaborates to improve community supports, services and family outcomes.	http://pafamiliesinc.org/ 1-800-947-4941
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The Healthy Baby Information Helpline 1-800-986-2229

Breastfeeding

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Pennsylvania Breastfeeding Referral Guide	The Pennsylvania Breastfeeding Referral Guide contains county-specific individuals and organizations that can provide breastfeeding awareness, support and assistance. It includes information on lactation specialists, community programs, support/mother groups, community coalitions, breast pump rentals and retail purchases, and local, state and national help lines.	http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Womens%20Health/Breastfeeding%20Awareness/Documents/PA%20Bfg%20Referral%20Guide%20Rev%20Aug%202017.pdf 717-346-3000
Womenshealth.gov	The mission of Womenshealth.gov is to provide national leadership and coordination to improve the health of women and girls through policy, education and model programs. Specific to breastfeeding, the website provides information and support to help women breastfeed successfully.	http://www.womenshealth.gov/breastfeeding/common-challenges/index.html 1-800-994-9662
Women, Infants and Children	The Pennsylvania Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children has improved the nutrition and health of families in Pennsylvania since 1974 by providing nutrition services, breastfeeding support, health care and social service referrals, and healthy foods.	http://pawic.com/ (1-800-WIC-WINS) 1-800-942-9467

Car Seat Safety

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<p><u>Pa. Child Passenger Protection Act</u></p>	<p>The Pa. Child Passenger Protection Act requires that all drivers transporting children ages birth to 4 years use an approved child safety seat. Children ages 4 to 8 must wear a seat belt and be in a booster seat. Children with medical conditions or disabilities may require special considerations or adaptations for transportation safety.</p>	<p>http://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=3&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0ahUKEwiopbvom47WAhUCyoMKHUhVAaIQFggwMAI&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.pakidstravelsafe.org%2Fnews-events%2Fnews%2Fitem%2Fdownload%2F369_a828d49458bafd9461e78fc6b5cde1b6&usg=AFQjCNHc3MeVHe-zqjddenQJFN0ciX5rg</p>
<p><u>The Pa. Traffic Injury Prevention Project</u></p>	<p>Materials available through the Pa. Traffic Injury Prevention project cover a range of traffic safety areas. These areas include: child passenger safety, seat belt safety, air bag safety, school bus safety, transporting special needs children, pedestrian safety, bicycle safety, and youth driving safety and awareness.</p>	<p>http://pakidstravelsafe.org/ 1- 800-CAR-BELT (227-2358)</p>
<p><u>Car Seat Loan Program by County</u></p>	<p>Active Car Seat Loan Programs allows individuals to search for programs by county.</p>	<p>http://www.pakidstravelsafe.org/resources/car-seat-loan-programs?view=Profiles&layout=search</p>
<p><u>National Highway Safety Transportation Administration</u></p>	<p>This group works to prevent injuries and fatalities for all road users, including children, teens, older drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians and drivers with disabilities. The NHTSA is available for information and resources to keep individuals safe on the road and in and around cars.</p>	<p>http://www.nhtsa.gov/</p>
<p><u>National Easter Seal Society</u></p>	<p>Easter Seals Western and Central Pennsylvania provides programs and services to ensure that people with disabilities or other special needs and their families have equal opportunities to live, learn, work and play in their communities.</p> <p>Referrals and Information about car seats can be found on this site.</p>	<p>http://www.easterseals.com/ 1-800-221-6827</p>
<p><u>The American Academy of Pediatrics</u></p>	<p>The American Academy of Pediatrics is dedicated to the health of all children. Referrals and information about car seats can be found on this website.</p>	<p>https://search.aap.org/find?source=aap.org&k=car%20seats 1-800-433-9016</p>

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Counseling		
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text4baby	Free text messages are sent to keep you and your baby healthy throughout your pregnancy and the baby's first year.	Registration is free @ https://text4baby.org/ .
Women, Infants and Children	The Pennsylvania Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children has improved the nutrition and health of families in Pennsylvania since 1974 by providing nutrition services, breastfeeding support, health care and social service referrals, and healthy foods.	http://pawic.com/ (1-800-WIC-WINS) 1-800-942-9467

Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)		
Resource	Description	Contact Information
Pennsylvania Children's Health Insurance Program	Uninsured Pennsylvania children and teens who are not eligible for Medical Assistance have access to affordable, comprehensive health care coverage. CHIP is there for your kids with quality, comprehensive health insurance coverage for routine doctor visits, prescriptions, dental, eye care, prescriptions and much more.	http://www.chipcoverspkids.com/ 1-800-986-KIDS (5437)

Medical Assistance		
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Presumptive Eligibility	Presumptive Eligibility provides insurance coverage for pregnant woman who have applied for Medicaid but are still under eligibility review.	http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/healthcaremedicalassistance/healthybeginnings/index.htm
Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Benefits Helpline	The Human Services Benefits Helpline services inquiries about public assistance programs in Pennsylvania, including (but not limited to) cash assistance, food stamps, Medicaid eligibility and energy assistance (LIHEAP).	1-800-692-7462
Pennsylvania Department of Human Services County Assistance Office Contact Information	Pennsylvanians can seek assistance and a range of services for themselves and their families from professionally trained staff members at county assistance offices.	http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/findfacilsandlocs/countyassistanceofficecontactinformation/ Toll Free: 1-800-638-6816 or 1-717-334-6241

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COMPASS	COMPASS is an online application for Pennsylvanians to apply for many health and human service programs.	www.compass.state.pa.us
PennsylvaniaHealth Options.com	This resource will help to compare insurance carriers online.	http://www.pahealthoptions.com/ 1-877-881-6388

Lead Health Information for Parents, Homeowners, Contractors and Health Care Professionals		
Resource	Description	Contact Information
Lead Poisoning	Lead can do great harm, especially to young children. The leading cause of lead poisoning is lead dust from lead-based paint that was used in many homes until 1978. Young children are exposed to lead dust in older homes through normal everyday activities such as crawling on the floor and putting their hands, toys or other objects in their mouths. Lead can also be found in bare soil, some imported spices, home remedies and cosmetics. Go to MY HEALTH, INFANT AND CHILDREN, LEAD POISONING PREVENTION and CONTROL, LEAD POISONING.	http://www.health.pa.gov/ 1-800-440-LEAD (5323)
Elevated Lead Blood Level Case Management Guidelines	This source provides recommendations from the Advisory Committee on Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention.	https://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/CaseManagement/casemanage_main.htm 1-800-CDC-INFO 1-800-232-4636 TTY: 888-232-6348
Environmental Protection Agency, Lead	The mission of the Environmental Protection Agency is to protect human health and the environment. Provides many useful links for families.	http://www2.epa.gov/lead 1-800- 424-5323

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Pennsylvania Safe and Healthy Homes Program	<p>The Pennsylvania Safe and Healthy Homes Program seeks to provide education and interventions to promote healthy homes and prevent problems and injuries. When hazards are present in a home, they can have a profound effect upon the health of the occupants, particularly children, who are most vulnerable.</p>	<p>http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Infant%20and%20Childrens%20Health/Lead%20Poisoning%20Prevention%20and%20Control/Pages/Safe-and-Healthy-Homes-Program.aspx</p> <p>1-717-772-2762</p>
Information for Families, Contractors and Property Managers		
Resource	Description	Contact Information
Environmental Protection Agency.gov - Lead	<p>The Environmental Protection Agency has two programs for certifying contractors and accrediting training providers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Renovation, Repair and Painting Program •Lead Abatement Program for permanent elimination of lead-based paint hazards 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. https://www.epa.gov/lead/renovation-repair-and-painting-program-contractors 2. https://www.epa.gov/lead/evaluating-and-eliminating-lead-based-paint-hazards
Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry	<p>The Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry lists accredited trainers and certified contracting firms.</p>	<p>http://www.dli.pa.gov/Pages/search.aspx?searchBox=accredited%20trainers%20and%20contractors</p>
Occupational Safety and Health Administration	<p>For information about regulations regarding work on facilities that are non-residential, contractors should contact the appropriate Occupational Safety and Health Administration Pennsylvania area office.</p>	<p>https://www.osha.gov/</p>
Housing and Urban Development- Lead Disclosure Rule	<p>This resource, for landlords and sellers, is based on the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, also known as Title X and is intended to protect families from exposure to lead from paint, dust, and soil. Landlords and sellers are required to disclose known information on lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards before the sale or lease of most housing built before 1978. If you did not receive the Disclosure of Information on Lead-Based Paint and/or Lead-Based Paint Hazards form when you bought or leased pre-1978 housing, contact 1-800-424-LEAD (5323).</p>	<p>http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/healthy_homes/enforcement/disclosure</p> <p>1-800-424-LEAD (5323)</p>

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Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury and Their Families		
Resource	Description	Contact Information
<u>Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania</u>	The mission of the Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania is to foster a community of education, advocacy, support and research to maximize the quality of life for those with brain injuries, as well as their families.	http://www.biapa.org/site/c.iuLZJbMMKrH/b.1760731/k.BD3E/Home.htm 1-800-444-6443
<u>Head Injury Program</u>	The goal of this program is to help individuals with a traumatic brain injury live independently in their homes and communities.	www.health.pa.gov Go to MY Health, A-Z Topics, E-H, Head Injury 1-717-772-2763
<u>Brain Injury Help Line</u>	To learn more about services available for individuals with brain injury and their families, please contact the toll-free Brain Injury Help Line.	1-866-412-4755
<u>Independent Enrollment Broker</u>	Office of Long-Term Living launched the PA Independent Enrollment Broker, a contracted statewide entity, to facilitate and streamline the eligibility/enrollment process for applicants seeking services for several Pa. waivers/programs.	1-788-550-4227
<u>COMMCARE Waiver</u>	A Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury. The COMMCARE Waiver can help individuals 21 years of age or older with medically determinable diagnosis of traumatic brain injury remain as independent as possible.	http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/alternativestonursinghomes/commcarewaiver/ 1-717- 787-8091
<u>Community Services Program for Persons with Physical Disabilities/ Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act Waiver</u>	The Community Services Program for Persons with Physical Disabilities/Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act Waiver provides services to people 18 or older with severe developmental and physical disabilities, such as cerebral palsy, epilepsy, or similar conditions (onset prior to age 22).	http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/alternativestonursinghomes/obrawaiver/ Long-Term Living Helpline, 1-800-753-8827
<u>Acquired Brain Injury Network of Pennsylvania</u>	The Acquired Brain Injury Network of Pennsylvania is a nonprofit organization of brain injury survivors, family members and friends dedicated to increasing public awareness about acquired brain injury and to providing support, education, information, advocacy and other services for individuals with acquired brain injury and their families.	http://www.abin-pa.org/ 1-888-308-3848
<u>Brainline.org</u>	BrainLine is a national multimedia project offering information and resources about preventing, treating, and living with Traumatic Brain Injury.	http://www.brainline.org/ 1-703-998-2020

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Immunizations/Vaccinations		
Resource	Description	Contact Information
Pennsylvania Department of Health, Division of Immunizations	The Division of Immunizations, in the Pennsylvania Department of Health, focuses on the reduction or elimination of vaccine-preventable diseases. The primary goal of the division is to achieve maximum immunization coverage to eliminate the occurrence of vaccine preventable diseases in Pennsylvania.	www.health.pa.gov Go to My Health, Immunizations. 1-717-787-5681
Pennsylvania Vaccines for Children Program	The Pennsylvania Vaccines for Children program is a federally funded program that provides vaccines at no cost to children who might not otherwise be vaccinated because of inability to pay. The Center for Disease Control purchases vaccines at a discount and distributes the vaccine to grantees - i.e., state health departments and certain local and territorial public health agencies - which in turn distribute the vaccine at no charge to those private physicians' offices and public health clinics enrolled as Pennsylvania Vaccines for Children providers. Children who are eligible for Vaccines for Children vaccines are entitled to receive vaccines recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.	www.health.pa.gov Go to My Health, Immunizations, Vaccines for Children 1-717-787-5681
Pennsylvania Department of Health, Health Services Locator	The Health Services locator is available to assist in finding Pennsylvania health care facilities within your county or region.	http://www.health.pa.gov/ Go to Healthcare Facilities, Laws and Regulations, Outpatient Facilities, Health Care Facility Locator
Pennsylvania Association of Community Health Centers	As the state primary care association, the Pennsylvania Association of Community Health Centers represents and supports the largest network of primary health care providers in the commonwealth.	http://www.pachc.org/About-PACHC 1-866-944-2273

Legal Advocacy for the Disabled in Pennsylvania

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<u>Disability Rights Pennsylvania</u>	<p>Disability Rights Pennsylvania has helped tens of thousands of children and adults with disabilities access special education services, obtain needed health and mental health care, and gain access to employment and housing. It also intervenes to stop the abuse, neglect and rights violations of Pennsylvanians with disabilities.</p>	<p>http://disabilityrightspa.org Harrisburg: 1-800-692-7443 or 1-717-236-8110; Philadelphia: 1-215-238-8070; Pittsburgh: 1-412-391-5225</p>
<u>Pennsylvania Health Law Project</u>	<p>The Pennsylvania Health Law Project offers free legal advice to low-income people with insurance problems. The Pennsylvania Health Law Project also helps people who do not have health insurance.</p>	<p>http://www.phlp.org/ 1-800-274-3258</p>
<u>Pennsylvania Office of Victim Advocate -- Locate a Victim Service Agency</u>	<p>The Pennsylvania Office of Victim Advocate is dedicated to representing, protecting and advancing the individual and collective rights and interests of crime victims.</p>	<p>http://www.ova.pa.gov/Services/Resources/LocateaVictimServiceAgency/Pages/default.aspx 1-800-563-6399</p>

Transportation Assistance for the Disabled		
Resource	Description	Contact Information
<u>Brain Injury Association Transportation Resource List</u>	<p>The Brain Injury Association Transportation Resource list offers a variety of transportation resources.</p>	<p>http://www.biapa.org/site/c.iuLZJbMMKrH/b.1841193/k.A621/Transportation.htm</p>
<u>Community Disability, Assistive Technology & Transportation Service</u>	<p>Seniors who wish to age-in-place in their own homes face a dilemma when it comes to disability. Seniors with disabilities may face problems with mobility, poor eyesight, hearing, use of their hands or memory. Special disability support devices such as handrails, scooters, stair lifts, bathroom aids, special clothing, adaptive devices and so forth are available but seniors don't always know about these assistive technology aids and may not have the resources to obtain this support.</p>	<p>http://www.carepennsylvania.org/list14_PA_disability_transportation_senior_services.htm</p>
<u>Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Medical Assistance Transportation Program</u>	<p>The Medical Assistance Transportation Program, also known as MATP, provides transportation to medical appointments for Medical Assistance recipients who do not have transportation available to them. The individual's county of residence will provide the type of transportation that is the least expensive while still meeting their needs.</p>	<p>http://matp.pa.gov/ 1-800-632-9063</p>

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Vocational Rehabilitation Assistance and Job Training for the Disabled		
Resource	Description	Contact Information
Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry Vocational Rehabilitation Services Website	<p>The Pennsylvania Office of Vocational Rehabilitation provides vocational rehabilitation services to help persons with disabilities prepare for, obtain, or maintain employment. The Pennsylvania Office of Vocational Rehabilitation provides services to eligible individuals with disabilities, both directly and through a network of approved vendors. Services are provided on an individualized basis.</p>	http://www.dli.pa.gov/individuals/disability-services/ovr/pages/default.aspx
Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Office Directory	<p>The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Office Directory will help you find a vocational rehabilitation district office.</p>	http://www.dli.pa.gov/Individuals/Disability-Services/ovr/Pages/OVR-Office-Directory.aspx
United States Department of Labor Disability Resources	<p>The purpose of the United States Department of Labor Disability Resources is to foster, promote, and develop the welfare of wage earners, job seekers, and retirees of the United States; improve working conditions; advance opportunities for profitable employment; and assure work-related benefits and rights.</p>	<p>https://www.dol.gov/general/topic/disability 1-866-487-2365</p>