

# Butler County Resource Guide

## Children and youth with special healthcare needs and their families

The Special Kids Network Helpline – 1-800-986-4550

- Advocacy for special healthcare needs
  - [The Allegheny County Family Resource Guide](#) [Website link]  
Resources for children, birth–21, with developmental disabilities or special health care needs.  
[Helpful links are listed on Home Page. Also select ‘[Resources for Neighboring Counties](#)’ link on top of home page for list of referrals in Butler County.]  
Butler County:
    - [The Arc](#) 724-282-1500
    - [Butler County Catholic Charities](#) 724-287-4011
    - [Children and Youth Services](#) 724-284-5156
    - [Community Action & Development](#) 724-284-5125
    - [County Assistance Office](#) 724-284-8844  
866-256-0093
    - [Pennsylvania Elks Home Service Program](#) 724-283-3198
    - [Intermediate Unit \(IU 4\)](#) 724-458-6700
    - [Lifesteps, Inc.](#) 800-225-2010
    - [Mental Health/Mental Retardation](#) 724-284-5114
    - [Mental Health Association in Butler County](#) 724-287-1965  
866-578-3659
    - [Office of Vocational Rehabilitation](#) 800-442-6379  
724-656-3070  
724-656-3252 – TTY  
888-870-4476 – TTY
    - [Samaritan Counseling Center of Western PA](#) 724-287-2567
    - [Social Security ACCESS Plus](#) 800-772-1213

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- [The Arc of Pennsylvania](#) [Website link]  
The largest advocacy organization in the United States for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities containing 34 local chapters serving 56 counties across Pennsylvania.
- [Butler County Link to Aging and Disability Resources](#) Website Link  
The Butler Link to Aging and Disability Resources is a collaborative effort among local community agencies, the Pennsylvania Department of Aging and the Administration on Community Living to provide information about long term care services and supports to individuals over the age of 60 and persons 18 to 59 with disabilities.
- [Juvenile Law Center](#) [Select 'Butler' County then 'Advocacy and Legal Services' or 'Disability Rights and Special Needs Resources'. ]  
Advancing the rights and well-being of children in jeopardy. 1-888-864-6393  
Advocacy and Legal Services
  - [Association of Retarded Citizens \(ARC\)](#) [Website Link]  
Offers services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities such as early intervention, supported employment, job training, transition planning, respite care, supported living and transportation.
  - [Disability Options Network](#) New Castle: 724-652-5144  
DON provides services for individuals with physical disabilities such as independent living skills training, peer support, advocacy, information and referral.
  - [Pennsylvania Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service](#) 1-800-932-0311  
Pennsylvania Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service matches clients to a Pennsylvania lawyer in a specific area of law.
  - [Office Of Vocational Rehabilitation](#) 1-800-541-0721 or 814-871-4551  
OVR provides assistance with obtaining and maintaining employment to individuals with disabilities.
  - [Neighborhood Legal Services](#) Butler: 724-282-3888  
Provides legal assistance to individuals for civil legal matters.
  - [Special Kids Network](#) 1-800-986-4550  
Statewide referral service designed to serve families of children with chronic health of disabling conditions through information and service coordination.
  - [Disability Rights Network Of Pennsylvania](#) Pittsburgh: 412-391-5225  
Harrisburg: 717-236-8110; Philadelphia: 215-238-8070  
Provide legal consultation and representation for individuals with disabilities and their families who are facing discrimination on the basis of disability and access to needed services along with providing information, referral and technical assistance to Pennsylvania residents with disability issues.
  - [Developmental Disabilities Advocacy Network](#) 1-800-692-7443  
The Developmental Disabilities Advocacy Network provides information on disability programs and services in communities nationwide.
  - [PA Client Assistance Program](#) 888-745-2357 or 800-323-6060  
PA's Client Assistance Program is an advocacy program for people with disabilities seeking services in employment and housing.
  - [LGBT Youth in Crisis Hotline](#) 800-246-7743  
Youth serving youth through age 25. Peer counseling, information, and local resources.

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- [Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Helpline](#) 888-843-4564  
The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Hotline provides telephone and email peer counseling, as well as factual information and local resources for cities and towns across the United States.
- Disability Rights and Special Needs Resources
- [Pennsylvania Families Incorporated](#) Please look at website which will give locations, phone numbers, support groups and additional information.  
PFI is a resource database that empowers PA families of children with special needs by linking them to support and information.
- [Social Security Administration](#) Cranberry: 814-676-9293  
Local office where individuals can apply for Social Security benefits
- [Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services](#) 412-565-5240  
Provides services to assist individuals who are blind or visually impaired in areas of specialized children services, finding employment, starting a business, gaining independent living skills.
- [Bureau of Autism Services](#) 866-539-7689  
Bureau of Autism Services is a department within the Department of Public Welfare specifically addressing the needs, issues and concerns of people with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Pennsylvania. BAS provides information on available services and waiver funding.
- [Butler County MH/MR/DS](#) 724-284-5114  
The Home and Community Services Information Systems offers a directory of all of PA's county MH/MR/DS. The Office of Mental Health/Mental Retardation/Mental Development administers services and programs for individuals with mental and developmental disabilities
- [Northwest Human Services](#) 1-888-647-0020  
NHS provides residential living options, case/care management, and therapeutic services for individuals with disabilities.
- [Good Will Industries](#) [Website Link]  
Good will Industries provides supported employment program for adults with disabilities.
- [Lifesteps, Inc.](#) Butler: 724-283-1010; Kittanning: 724-545-8289  
Lifesteps provides services such as Beaver: 724-774-6494  
residential living and day programs for adults with developmental disabilities with community homes and life sharing in seven counties.
- [Irene Stacy Community Mental Health Centers](#) Butler: 724-287-0791  
Irene Stacy Community Mental Health Centers offer outpatient mental health services, residential services, intensive case management and resource coordination.
- [Pennsylvania Association For The Blind](#) Please refer to website under "Local Agencies" for complete list of locations and phone numbers.  
Providing services to prevent, prepare for, and manage vision loss with programs and services for both children and adults such as vision screenings, residential and vocational rehabilitation, transportation, transitional and Braille instruction, information and referral, support and advocacy.
- [National Runaway Switchboard](#) 1-800-786-2929  
Toll-free, nationwide hot-line for runaways and troubled youth. Provides information and referral for shelter, counseling, medical and legal services

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- and transportation back home.
- [Parent Education & Advocacy Leadership Center \(PEAL\)](#) 412-281-4404  
PEAL is an organization of parents of children with special health care needs and disabilities reach out to assist families of children with disabilities or special health care needs, professional and other who assist children with disabilities or special health care needs and children, youth and young adults with disabilities or special health care needs ages 0-26.
- [Kaleidoscope Family Solutions Inc.](#) Autism, IDD & Behavioral Team 877-384-1729;  
Kaleidoscope Family Services (KFS) is School Division: 800-908-0546  
a specialized provider of clinical and therapeutic services directly to individuals as well as education-system staffing services. Services are delivered through its specialty division outlined below.
  - KFS Behavioral Therapeutic Services
  - KFS Autism Services
  - KFS Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Services
  - KFS School Staffing Services
  - KFS Training Services
- [Pennsylvania Elks Home Service Program](#) [See phone numbers below]  
If referral is for a child under 21 please call 1-800-986-4550 if over 21 please call Pat O'Connor at 814-781-7860 or Margie Wood at 724-225-1395. Providing support and advocacy services to individuals who have a developmental disability.
- [Parent Education & Advocacy Leadership Center \(PEAL\)](#) 412-281-4404  
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- [Heritage Elder Law & Estate Planning, LLC.](#) 724-602-2406  
Full service estate planning law office working to provide peace of mind to our clients and their families. Help with: Revocable Living Trusts, Wills, Powers of Attorney, Living Wills, Healthcare Power of Attorney, Life Insurance Trusts, Family Limited Partnerships, Limited Liability Companies, Corporations, Charitable Trusts, Medicaid Planning, and Other Estate Planning and Tax Planning Strategies.
- Assistive Technology
  - [Butler County Link to Aging and Disability Resources](#) PDF Link  
The Butler Link to Aging and Disability Resources is a collaborative effort among local community agencies, the Pennsylvania Department of Aging and the Administration on Community Living to provide information about long term care services and supports to individuals over the age of 60 and persons 18 to 59 with disabilities.
  - [Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation](#) [Webpage Resource] 888-744-1938  
Foundation's mission is to provide financing opportunities to people with disabilities and older Pennsylvanians helping them to acquire the assistive technology devices and services that improve the quality of their lives.

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- [Three Rivers Center for Independent Living](#) for general questions call:  
412-371-7700x166 or 1-800-633-4588, Toll free in PA.  
Three Rivers Center for Independent Living (TRCIL) is a non-residential, non-profit, community-based human service organization. Our purpose is to assist people with disabilities to lead self-directed and productive lives within the community. Assistive Technology links are listed in the Resources section.
  
- Counseling for special healthcare needs
  - [The Allegheny County Family Resource Guide](#) [Website link]  
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Butler County:
    - [Samaritan Counseling Center of Western PA](#) 724-287-2567
  
  - [Center for Community Resources](#) 724-431-3748  
The mission of the Center of Community Resources is to make a positive difference in everyday lives by connecting people to a network of supports and services essential for actively learning, working, and living in the community. We provide free and confidential assistance for men, women, children, youth, seniors and families, regardless of religion, race, age or ability to pay.
  
  - [The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration \(SAMHSA\) online provider locator and telephone hotline](#) 1-800-662-4357  
The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) 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 at 1-800-662-HELP (4357) or 1-800-487-4889 (TDD).
  
- Day Care
  - [Lifesteps](#) [Select 'Children' link on website for overview of child care services.] 1-800-225-2010  
Lifesteps has a rich history of helping individuals and families with life's changing needs for nearly a century. With program locations throughout Western Pennsylvania, Lifesteps believes all people with and without special needs have the right to live to their fullest potential. Services for children, families, adults with special needs and seniors are designed to encourage growth, independence, confidence and dignity.
  
  - [Pennsylvania Department of Human Services](#) 1-800-692-7462  
Child Care and Early Learning services
    - [Child Care Works Subsidized Child Care](#) 1-888-864-1654 or 724-285-9431  
if your household income is no more than twice of the FPIG and your child is 13 or younger and you are a working parent or you are going to school.

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- [Pre-school Programs](#) 1-866-214-5437  
If your household income is no more than the FPIG and your child is five years old or younger.
- [Online Child Care Provider Search](#) Website address  
The search will help you locate a child care provider that meets your needs and offer information on Early Learning programs. The Online Child Care Provider Search offers a portion of the wide spectrum of child care services offered by Child Care Information Services (CCIS) agencies. For additional assistance in locating a child care arrangement, contact your local CCIS.
- Early Intervention
  - [Butler County MH/EI/ID Program](#)  
The Butler County Mental Health/Early Intervention/Developmental Disabilities Program ensures that a comprehensive array of quality services is available for residents, both children and adults, living in Butler County. These services include educational, therapeutic, social, vocational, and residential programs.  
The primary role of the Butler County MH/EI/ID Administration is to provide for the planning, development, evaluation, and coordination of these services within a locally accountable, community-based system.
  - [Center for Community Resources](#) 724-431-3748  
The mission of the Center of Community Resources is to make a positive difference in everyday lives by connecting people to a network of supports and services essential for actively learning, working, and living in the community. We provide free and confidential assistance for men, women, children, youth, seniors and families, regardless of religion, race, age or ability to pay.
  - [Easter Seals Western and Central Pennsylvania](#) Pittsburgh: 412-281-7244  
Select 'Our Programs' then 'Children's Services' on the website for information on Easter Seals Early Intervention services.  
Easter Seals [Western and Central PA is committed to providing exceptional programs and services for children with disabilities or other special needs.
  - [PA Department of Education Early Intervention Program](#) 1-800-692-7288  
The Pennsylvania Early Intervention program provides support and services to families with children, from birth to age five, with developmental delays and disabilities.
  - [Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Early Intervention Services Website](#)  
While all children grow and develop in unique ways, some children experience delays in their development. Children with developmental delays and disabilities benefit from the Pennsylvania Early Intervention program, a state supported network of parents, service practitioners, and others which builds upon the natural learning opportunities that occur within the daily routines of a child and their family.
- Health Insurance
  - [CHIP](#) [Web Page link] 1-800-986-KIDS (5437)  
Pennsylvania's Children's Health Insurance Program.  
Covers all uninsured PA kids under 19.
  - [COMPASS](#) [PA Dept. of Human Services benefits online application Web Page link]  
[Select Apply for Any Benefits link to begin.]

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- Help with Medicare
  - [APPRISE](#) 1-800-783-7067  
a free health insurance counseling service for individuals 60 and over.
  - [Butler County Area Agency on Aging, APPRISE](#) 814-765-2696
  - [Medicare Part D](#) [Website link]  
Information about the Part D prescription drug benefit available to individuals enrolled in Medicare.
- [HealthCare.gov](#) [Federal Health Insurance Enrollment Website] 1-800-318-2596
- [Medical Assistance \(MA\)](#) [PA Department of Human Services Web link.]  
Health care services for eligible individuals.
- Pregnancy Insurance
  - [Presumptive Eligibility](#) [Eligible uninsured pregnant woman should register with Dept. of Human Services, COMPASS and Medical Assistance (MA).] Presumptive Eligibility (PE) provides insurance coverage for pregnant woman who have applied for MA but are still under review.
  - [Maternity Insurance.org](#) [Website link]
  - [Pennsylvania-Health-Coverage.com](#) [Website link] 1-866-589-6215  
Compare affordable maternity health insurance options.
- [Resource Guide to Healthcare Options in Pennsylvania](#)  
For Children, Adults, and Seniors, The Pennsylvania Office of Rural Health, Pennsylvania State University
- Housing
  - [Center for Community Resources Homeless Case Management](#) 724-431-3748  
Everyone deserves safe, affordable housing regardless of their special needs. Our Homeless Case Management Program provides permanent supportive housing assistance for chronically homeless, disabled consumers (over the age of 18) with a mental health disorder and/or struggles with substance abuse.
  - [Juvenile Law Center](#) [Butler County.]  
Advancing the rights and well-being of children in jeopardy. 1-888-864-6393
  - Housing
    - [HUD](#) Pittsburgh: 412-644-6428; Philadelphia: 215-656-0500  
HUD is a federal program that provides housing support for individuals in need such as rental programs (including Section 8) and home ownership assistance programs.
    - [Pennsylvania Affordable Apartment Locator](#) 1-877-428-8844  
PAHousingSearch.com is a website in which affordable housing can be searched and located within in PA.
    - [Northwest Human Services](#) Toll-Free: 1-888-647-0020  
NHS provides residential living options, case/care management, and therapeutic services for individuals with disabilities.
    - [Catholic Charities Diocese Of Pittsburgh](#) Pittsburgh: 412-456-6999  
Beaver: 724-775-0758; Butler: 724-287-4011; Waynesburg: 724-627-6410;  
New Castle: 724-658-5526; Washington, PA: 724-228-7722  
CCDP is a social service agency offering services in housing, adoption, counseling, safety and stability, health care for the uninsured, housing and

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homeless, pregnancy and parenting, refugee and senior services. For housing, mainly serving residents of Butler County, programs such as Safe Harbor Program, HOPE Program, PATH Transitional-Age Project for Young Adults and St. Joseph's House of Hospitality are offered, serving individuals with supportive and transitional housing with a shelter up to two months. For additional information, please refer to [www.ccpgh.org](http://www.ccpgh.org) to contact CCPGH at [info@ccpgh.org](mailto:info@ccpgh.org)

- [Fair Housing/Equal Opportunity at HUD](#) 1-800-799-2085  
Hotline service for individuals to report incidences of housing discrimination.
- [Making Homes Affordable](#) 888-995-4673  
National nonprofit organization aiming to prevent home foreclosure and reduce monthly payments for eligible individuals and families

## Shelters

- [City Rescue Mission](#) New Castle: 412-652-4321  
City Rescue Mission is a Christian ministry providing services in housing, food banks, and spiritual services. Shelters for both men and women/children are provided in which food and shelter is offered from 1-90 days with counseling and recovery.
- The Lighthouse Foundation Butler: 724-898-4673  
The Lighthouse Foundation offers both emergency shelter (up to 60 days) and transitional living (from 18-24 months).

## Transitional Housing

- [Association of Retarded Citizens \(ARC\)](#) Please look at website listed for PA locations and phone numbers.  
Offers services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities such as early intervention, supported employment, job training, transition planning, respite care, supported living and transportation
- [Lifesteps, Inc.](#) Butler: 724-283-1010  
Lifesteps provides services such as residential living and day programs for adults with developmental disabilities with community homes and life sharing in seven counties
- [Oxford House for Women](#) Butler: 724-256-8249; 724-256-9550  
Oxford House is a self-run, self-supported recovery house for recovering alcoholics and drug addicts in which shelter, food, case management, individual counseling and group support are provided
- [Oxford House for Men](#) Butler: 724-256-8835; 724-287-0324;  
724-256-5934; 724-256-8454  
Oxford House is a self-run, self-supported recovery house for recovering alcoholics and drug addicts in which shelter, food, case management, individual counseling and group support are provided
- [The Lighthouse Foundation](#) Butler: 724-898-4673  
The Lighthouse Foundation offers both emergency shelter (up to 60 days) and transitional living (from 18-24 months).
- [Butler County Housing Authority](#) 724-287-6797  
Assisting the Butler County community with economic development, community revitalization and affordable housing and home ownership opportunities.

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- Health Waiver Programs
  - **Medicaid Waivers for Children under 21:**
    - [Attendant Care/Act 150](#) Long-Term Living Helpline, 1-800-753-8827  
Enables individuals with a physical disability, ages 18-59, who are mentally alert to continue to live in their homes with support and services.
    - Community Services Program for Persons with Physical Disabilities/[OBRA Waiver](#)  
Long-Term Living Helpline, 1-800-753-8827  
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).
    - [Consolidated Waiver for Individuals with Mental Retardation](#)  
Provides services to eligible people age three or older with mental retardation so that they can remain in the community.
    - [Person/Family Directed Support Waiver](#)  
Provides services to eligible people age three or older with mental retardation so that they can remain in the community.
    - Community Services Program for Persons with Physical Disabilities/[Independence Waiver](#)  
Long-Term Living Helpline, 1-800-753-8827  
Provides services to individuals 18 and older with severe physical disabilities to allow them to live in the community and remain as independent as possible.
    - [Infant, Toddlers, and Families Waiver](#) 717-346-1119  
Supports Early Intervention services to children up to age three who would otherwise require the level of care provided in an Intermediate Care Facility for persons with Mental Retardation of Other Related Conditions.
- Respite Care
  - [ARCH National Respite Network](#) [Website]  
for help with the Respite Locator Service please contact Mike Mathers at: [mmathers@chtop.org](mailto:mmathers@chtop.org) or by phone at 1-919-490-5577.  
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.
    - [ACRC Services](#) [Webpage link]  
The Alliance for Community Respite Care  
*Respite Care Providers:*  
Children
      - [CareBreak-Watson Institute](#) 412-749-2863  
Gift of time and energy given for a few hours a week by a volunteer to a family caring for a child (birth to 16) with special needs.
      - Day and Overnight Respite Program-Watson Institute 412-749-2862
      - [Child's Way-Children's Home of Pittsburgh](#) 412-365-6065  
Pediatric specialty hospital. Respite care offered for parents able to pay through third party providers.
      - [Continuum Pediatric Nursing-Pittsburgh](#) 412-851-8550  
In home nursing



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- [Parent to Parent of Pennsylvania](#) [Select 'P2P Supports Groups' link]  
Linking families of children and adults with disabilities or special needs. 1-888-727-2706
- [PA Families Incorporated](#) [info@pafamiliesinc.org](mailto:info@pafamiliesinc.org) 1-800-947-4941  
Statewide network providing support to families raising children and youth with emotional, behavioral, and special needs, as well as serving as an advocate in the different child serving systems.  
Updated regularly.  
[Butler County](#) [Select 'Resources' link on main page then select desired County.]

## Women who are or who might be pregnant

### The Healthy Baby Information Helpline – 1-800-986-2229

- Baby Supplies
  - [Catholic Charities Diocese of Pittsburgh](#) Butler County: 724-287-4011  
Support and assistance through the WIN (Women in Need) program to women who are possibly pregnant, pregnant, or parenting an infant up to age one. Help is also available to the biological fathers. All services are FREE and CONFIDENTIAL.  
FREE pregnancy testing;  
counseling and support;  
educational materials on pregnancy and parenting;  
life-skills education;  
baby-care items from our baby pantry including diapers, formula, clothing.
  - [Lifeline of Southwest PA](#) Butler, PA 724-282-1200  
Personal Counseling and Referrals to Agencies; Free Pregnancy Testing; Maternity Clothes and children's clothing available as well as cribs and strollers.
- Breastfeeding Guides- Information call the Healthy Baby Line at 800-986-BABY (2229).
  - [Pennsylvania Breastfeeding Referral Guide](#)  
Arranged by County
  - [Womenshealth.gov Breastfeeding Challenges Guide](#) 800-994-9662  
Information regarding common breastfeeding challenges  
Office on Women's Health, US Department of Health and Human Services
- Car Seats
  - Car Seat Safety  
The PA Child Passenger Protection Act requires that all drivers transporting children ages birth – four years use an approved child safety seat. Children ages four to eight 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.
    - [The PA Traffic Injury Prevention Project](#)  
Car Seat Loan Program by County - Information Hotline – 800-CAR-BELT  
Training for school districts and companies 412-885-0266  
on transporting children with special needs.

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- National Easter Seal Society [phone listing] 800-221-6827  
Referrals and information about car seats.

- Counseling

- [Catholic Charities Diocese of Pittsburgh](#) Butler County: 724-287-4011

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- [Lifeline of Southwest PA](#) Butler, PA 724-282-1200  
Personal Counseling and Referrals to Agencies; Free Pregnancy Testing; Maternity Clothes and children's clothing available as well as cribs and strollers.

- CHIP

- [PA Children's Health Insurance Program](#) Call automated phone line at 800-986-KIDS (5437) and a CHIP representative will return your call within two business days.

Pennsylvania's CHIP program puts health coverage within reach for all uninsured kids and teens who are not eligible for or enrolled in Medical Assistance.

- Pregnancy Insurance

- Presumptive Eligibility (PE), Medical Assistance (MA)  
Presumptive Eligibility is a temporary program of health insurance coverage for pregnant women who are applying for Medical Assistance.
  - PA Dept. of Human Services Benefits Helpline 1-800-692-7462
  - [PA Dept. of Human Services County Assistance Office Contact Information](#)

- [COMPASS](#) (PA Dept. of Human Services) [Website]  
Online application for Pennsylvanians to apply for many health and human service programs. Click on the 'Apply Now' button to begin or use links on right side for further assistance.

- [text4baby](#) Registration is free on the text4baby.org website.  
Free text messages to keep you and your baby healthy throughout your pregnancy and the baby's first year.

- [WIC](#) 800-942-9467  
Through WIC, pregnant women, mothers, and caregivers of infants and young children learn about good nutrition to keep themselves and their families healthy. WIC provides nutrition service, breastfeeding support, health care and social service referrals, and healthy foods to over 250,000 participants every month in PA.

## Lead health information for parents, homeowners, contractors, and healthcare professionals

The Lead Information Helpline – 1-800-440-4323

- [Elevated Lead Blood Level Case Management Guidelines](#) [CDC Web Page]  
Recommendations from the CDC Advisory Committee on Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention

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- [Environmental Protection Agency, Lead](#) [EPA Web Page]  
Provides many useful links for families including: (800) 424-5323
  
- [PA Lead and Healthy Homes Program](#) [Website link] (717) 772-2762  
The Pennsylvania Lead and Healthy Homes Program (LHHP) seeks to create safe and healthy housing by addressing environmental health and safety issues in homes. Program contact list provided by County.
  
- Certified Contractors
  - Locating EPA Certified Lead Contractors and technicians
    - [EPA.gov - Lead](#)
    - [PA Labor and Industry](#)  
Link to list of accredited trainers and certified contracting firms.
  - Information for Contractors
    - [EPA - Lead](#)  
Renovate Right for Contractors and Trainers
    - [PA Labor and Industry](#)  
Certification and Other Requirements for Lead Occupations
    - [OSHA](#)  
For information about regulations regarding work on facilities which are non-residential, contractors should contact the appropriate Occupational Safety & Health Administration Pennsylvania area office.
  
- Property Managers
  - [HUD – Lead Disclosure Rule](#)  
Congress passed the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, also known as Title X, to protect families from exposure to lead from paint, dust, and soil. Section 1018 of this law directed HUD and EPA to require the disclosure of 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).

## Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury and their families

The Head Injury Information Helpline – 866-412-4755

- [Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania](#) 1-800-444-6443  
Our mission: to prevent brain injury and improve the quality of life for people who have experienced brain injury and their family members through support, education, advocacy, and research.
  
- PA Department of Health Head Injury Program

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- [Head Injury Program](#) 866-412-4755  
The goal of the program is to help individuals with a traumatic brain injury live independently in their homes and communities.
- Waiver Programs
  - [Independent Enrollment Broker](#) 788-550-4227  
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.
  - [COMMCARE Waiver](#) 1-800-753-8827  
A Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI).
  - [OBRA Waiver](#) 1-800-753-8827  
Home and Community based Waiver program that may help if you have a developmental physical disability to allow you to live in the community and remain as independent as possible.
- Other Information
  - [Acquired Brain Injury Network of Pennsylvania](#) [info@abin-pa.org](mailto:info@abin-pa.org), 1-800-516-8052  
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.
  - [Brainline.org](#) 703-998-2020  
Preventing, treating, and living with traumatic brain injury (TBI).

## Immunizations/Vaccinations

- PA Department of Health Division of Immunizations
  - [Division of Immunizations](#) 717-787-5681
  - [Pennsylvania Vaccines for Children Program](#) 888-646-6864  
Free vaccines for uninsured children 877-724-3258

## Legal advocacy for the disabled in Pennsylvania

- [Disability Rights Network of Pennsylvania](#) Harrisburg 1-800-692-7443 or 717-236-8110  
717-346-0239 [TDD]  
Philadelphia 215-238-8070  
Pittsburgh 412-391-5225  
  
The mission of the Disability Rights Network of Pennsylvania is to advance, protect, and advocate for the human, civil, and legal rights of Pennsylvanians with disabilities.
- [PA Health Law Project](#) 1-800-274-3258  
Helping People in Need get the Health Care they deserve.  
Advocacy on access to health care for low-income consumers, the elderly, and persons with disabilities.

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## Transportation Assistance for the Disabled

- **Pennsylvania Care Planning Council** Website address  
[Community Disability, Assistive Technology & Transportation Service](#)
- **PA Dept. of Human Services Medical Assistance Transportation Program** 724-431-3692  
The Medical Assistance Transportation Program, also known as MATP, or: 866-638-0598 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.

## Vocational Rehabilitation Assistance and Job Training for the Disabled

- **[Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry Vocational Rehabilitation Services](#)** Website  
The Pennsylvania Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, or OVR, provides vocational rehabilitation services to help persons with disabilities prepare for, obtain, or maintain employment. OVR provides services to eligible individuals with disabilities, both directly and through a network of approved vendors. Services are provided on an individualized basis.
  - [OVR Office Directory](#) - Arranged by District Office and by Counties Served.