Children and youth with special healthcare needs and their families
The Special Kids Network Helpline – 1-800-986-4550

- Advocacy for special healthcare needs
  o **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.
  o **Juvenile Law Center**  [Select ‘Monroe’ 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
    ▪ **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.
    ▪ **North Penn Legal Services**  570-784-8760
      Provides legal representation to low-income people. Offers assistance with the following civil legal problems: consumer, housing, employment, education, utility, family, public benefits, elderly, and domestic violence.
    ▪ **Special Kids Network**  800-986-4550
      Statewide referral service designed to serve families of children with chronic health of disabling conditions through information and service coordination.
      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**  Philadelphia: 215-557-7112
      Camp Hill: 717-731-1077; Toll-Free: 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.
    ▪ **Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Helpline**  888-843-4564
      The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Helpline provides telephone and email peer counseling, as well as factual information and local resources for cities and towns across the United States.
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Disability Rights and Special Needs Resources

- **Pennsylvania Families Incorporated**  
  Please look at website for 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**  
  East Stroudsburg: 570-223-5033  
  Local office where individuals can apply for Social Security benefits

- **Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services**  
  570-826-2361  
  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.

- **County MH/MR/DS**  
  Please look at website for locations and phone numbers.
  
  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**  
  Please refer to website under “Goodwill Locator” listed for complete list of locations and phone numbers.
  
  Good will Industries provides supported employment program for adults with disabilities.

- **Resources for Human Development**  
  Please refer to listed website under “Program Directory” for complete list of programs, locations, and phone numbers.
  
  RHD provides residential and vocational services and behavioral health for individuals with mental illness or intellectual disability.

- **Center for Independent Living of North Central PA**  
  Williamsport: 570-327-9070  
  CILNCP provides services for individuals with physical disabilities: independent living skills training, service coordination, peer support, attendant care services, advocacy, information and referral

- **Tri-county Helping Hands**  
  Stroudsburg: 570-424-6621  
  THH provides supportive services to children and their families with serious mental health issues.

- **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
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- **Burnley Workshop Employment And Rehabilitation Services**
  Stroudsburg: 570-992-6616 ext 29
  Allied Services offers the Burnley Workshop which provides vocational services for individuals with disabilities.

- **Center for Vision Loss** Stroudsburg: 570-992-7787
  The Center for Vision Loss is a nonprofit organization aimed at providing preventative, rehabilitative, support and social services to visually impaired individuals.

- **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 and transportation back home.

  - **Kaleidoscope Family Solutions Inc.** Autism, IDD & Behavioral Team 877-384-1729; School Division: 800-908-0546
    Kaleidoscope Family Services (KFS) is 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** Southern Monroe - 610-365-1426
    Providing support and advocacy services to individuals who have a developmental disability.

- **Assistive Technology**
  - **Good Shepherd Rehabilitation** 877-629-1717 or 610-778-1015
    Good Shepherd is the official Assistive Technology Resource Center for the region that includes Lehigh, Northampton, Monroe, Berks, Schuylkill, Carbon, and Luzerne Counties. The designation comes from the Pennsylvania initiative on Assistive Technology (PIAT). As one of only eight AT Resource Centers in the Commonwealth, Good Shepherd oversees the outreach, education, evaluation, and training efforts of PIAT for the region.
  - **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.

- **Counseling for special healthcare needs**
  - **Monroe County, Pennsylvania Link to Aging and Disability Resources** Weblink
    Link to Aging and Disability Resources is a collaborative effort funded by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’s Office of Long-Term Living (OLTL) to provide information and linkages to long-term service and support for people over the age of 60 and persons between the ages of 18 and 59 with disabilities.
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• Day Care
  o Pennsylvania Department of Human Services 1-800-692-7462
    Child Care and Early Learning services.
    - Child Care Works Subsidized Child Care 570-517-0110 or 1-866-284-5829
      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.
    - 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
  o Carbon-Monroe-Pike Mental Health and Developmental Services 570-992-0879
    [Select the ‘Services’ link then select ‘Early Intervention Services’ for a list of Early Intervention Service Providers.]
    Carbon, Monroe, and Pike counties operate a mental health and developmental services program with offices in each county. If you have a need for such services, or know someone who does, you may contact us by email, telephone, or by visiting one of our offices.
  o Easter Seals Eastern Pennsylvania 610-289-0114
    Easter Seals Eastern PA is committed to providing exceptional programs and services for children with disabilities or other special needs.
  o 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.
  o 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
  o CHIP [Web Page link] 1-800-986-KIDS (5437)
    Pennsylvania’s Children’s Health Insurance Program.
    Covers all uninsured PA kids under 19.
  o 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.
  - **Monroe County Area Agency on Aging, APPRISE**: 570-420-3735
    - Information about the Part D prescription drug benefit available to individuals enrolled in Medicare.
  - **Medicare Part D**: [Website link]

- **HealthCare.gov** [Federal Health Insurance Enrollment Website] 1-800-318-2596
- **HealthChoices** [Website]
  - *HealthChoices* will provide low-income Pennsylvanians with the opportunity to purchase private health insurance at affordable rates through a network of eight insurance private insurers, offering three or more health insurance plan options per region. Coverage will begin Jan. 1, 2015. Apply online at [www.COMPASS.state.pa.us](http://www.COMPASS.state.pa.us) and learn more at [www.healthypa.com](http://www.healthypa.com).

- **Medical Assistance (MA)** [PA Department of Human Services Web link.]
  - Health care services for eligible individuals.

- **Pregnancy Insurance**
  - **Presumptive Eligibility**: [Website link]
    - 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.

  - For Children, Adults, and Seniors
  - The Pennsylvania Office of Rural Health, Pennsylvania State University

- **Housing**
  - **Juvenile Law Center** [Monroe County.]
    - Advancing the rights and well-being of children in jeopardy. 1-888-864-6393
  - **HUD**
    - 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** 1-888-647-0020
    - NHS provides residential living options, case/care management, and therapeutic services for individuals with disabilities.
  - **Fair Housing/Equal Opportunity at HUD**
    - Philadelphia: 215-861-7637
    - Pittsburgh: 412-644-5449
    - Hotline service for individuals to report incidences of housing discrimination.

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- **Consumer Credit Counseling**  Monroe County: (570) 420-8980
  Educates and assists the general public on the intelligent use of consumer credit; provides professional budget and housing counseling to families and individuals; arranges debt-management programs for financially distressed consumers to liquidate their debts. Refer to CCC's website for additional information: http://www.cccsnepa.org

- **Making Homes Affordable**  888-995-4673
  National nonprofit organization aiming to prevent home foreclosure and reduce monthly payments for eligible individuals and families.

**Shelters**

- **Salvation Army**  East Stroudsburg: 570-421-3050; Sunbury: 570-286-4131
  York: 717-848-2364; Huntingdon: 814-643-1430
  The Salvation Army provides services for disadvantaged families and individuals. Services include temporary shelter for emergency and disaster situations, food and clothes assistance, etc.

- **Family Promise of Monroe County**  Stroudsburg: 570-420-8589
  Family Promise offers services for homeless individuals and families, providing shelter and meals in congregational facilities and supportive services in collaboration with local social service agencies.

- **Women's Resources Of Monroe County**  Hotline: 1-866-421-4200
  Women's Resources provides services for victims of domestic violence including counseling, emergency shelter, 24 hour hotline, and legal advocacy.

- **Catholic Social Services Of Scranton**  Honesdale: 570-253-1777;
  Milford: 570-2-296-1054; Stroudsburg: 570-476-6460; Mansfield: 570-662-7788
  The Catholic Social Services of Scranton provides multiple housing programs including shelters, transitional housing and permanent housing.

**Transitional Housing**

- **Pocono Area Transitional Housing**  Stroudsburg: 570-476-1828
  PATH provides transitional housing program for families facing housing crisis or homelessness.

- **Human Resources Center**  Honesdale: 570-253-3782; Hawley: 570-775-6144
  Saylorsburg: 570-402-4961
  Services for individuals with physical disabilities and mental illness including community residential facilities, life sharing homes, supported independent living, vocational services, and day treatment programs. Residential programs include Community Homes and Transitional Living.

- **Oxford House for Men**  Stroudsburg: 610-927-5900; Warren: 814-230-9019
  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.

- **Monroe County Housing Authority**  Stroudsburg: 570-421-7770
  Public housing was established to provide decent and safe rental housing for eligible low-income families, the elderly, and persons with disabilities.

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• Health Waiver Programs
  o **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
  o **ARCH National Respite Network** [Website]
    for help with the Respite Locator Service please contact Mike Mathers at: mmathers@chttop.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.

• Special Education
  o **PA Bureau of Special Education Consult Line** 1-800-879-2301
    Help for families and advocates of children with special needs can be obtained by calling the Consult Line or with the on-line request form available at: [http://odr-pa.org/contact-consultline/](http://odr-pa.org/contact-consultline/)
  o **Intermediate Units in PA** [Website Link]
    Intermediate Units in Pennsylvania are part of the governance structure of public education and are located in the middle 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.

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• Support Groups
  o Main Street Counseling Center Monroe County Support Group information
    Monroe County Information and referral.
  o Parent to Parent of Pennsylvania [Select ‘P2P Supports Groups’ link]
    Linking families of children and adults with disabilities 1-888-727-2706
    or special needs.
  o PA Families Incorporated 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.
    Monroe 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
  o Pregnancy Resource Center of the Poconos – Active Programs 570-424-1113
    Baby and Maternal supplies, counseling, and community referrals.

• Breastfeeding Guides  If you need more information visit Handouts for Parents or call
  the Healthy Baby line at 800-986-BABY(2229).
  o Pennsylvania Breastfeeding Referral Guide
    Arranged by County
  o 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
  o 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.
    ▪ National Highway Safety Transportation Administration – 888-327-4236
      Information on car seat safety and installation inspection.
    ▪ National Easter Seal Society [phone listing] 800-221-6827

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Referrals and information about car seats.

- The American Academy of Pediatrics  847-228-5005
  Referrals and information about car seats.
  - Monroe County Safety Seat Loaner Program  570-517-3164
    The Monroe County Safety Seat Loaner Program is a service that provides
    car seats to families who are experiencing financial difficulties.
    Safety seats are donated to the program by the Kiwanis Daybreak Organization,
    Borger Lodge #325, and the Dorothy Lim memorial Court.
    A driver’s license is required to obtain a seat. Seats are to returned clean,
    in good condition and with the manufactures original instructions.

- Counseling
  - Nurse-Family Partnership  [select ‘Find a Local Agency’ for access to County list]
    Stroudsburg: 570-426-1688
    A free, voluntary program that partners first-time moms with nurse home visitors.
    When you enroll in the program, a special trained nurse will visit you throughout
    your pregnancy and until your baby turns two years old. During these visits, your
    caring nurse will offer the knowledge and support you need to confidently create a
    better life for your baby and yourself.
  - Pregnancy Resource Center of the Poconos – Active Programs  570-424-1113
    Baby and Maternal supplies, counseling, and community referrals.

- 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 Dep of Human Services Benefits Helpline  1-800-692-7462
      - PA Dep of Human Services County Assistance Office Contact Information
  - COMPASS (PA Dep 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.
  - PAHealthOptions.com (PA Dep of Insurance)  1-877-881-6388
    The Pennsylvania Insurance Department’s Unbiased Guide to
    Understanding Health Insurance.
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- **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**
  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

- **Environmental Protection Agency, Lead** [EPA Web Page]
  Provides many useful links for families including: Lead Hotline – National Lead Information Center link

- **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** 866-412-4755
  - **Head Injury Program**
    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, 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).
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- Lawyer Legion
  - Brain Injury Lawyers in Monroe County, Pennsylvania
    Lawyer Legion is an independent media resource not affiliated with or endorsed by any state bar or other legal association. Although our directory recognizes attorneys authorized to practice law in each state and attorneys who are board certified by state and national certification programs, Lawyer Legion is not affiliated with any associations or specialty certification programs. The Logo for some of these associations and certification programs is displayed simply as a visual indicator to help users identify them. Lawyer Legion is not a lawyer referral service. Information about individual attorneys does not represent any form of endorsement by Lawyer Legion or any other organization and does not imply any level of special competence. The content published on this site is for informational purposes only.

Immunizations/Vaccinations

- PA Department of Health Division of Immunizations
  - Division of Immunizations
  - Pennsylvania Vaccines for Children Program
    Free vaccines for uninsured children

- PA Department of Health, Health Services Locator
  To find a local health center close to you select your county.

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.
Transportation Assistance for the Disabled

- **Pennsylvania Care Planning Council**  
  **Community Disability, Assistive Technology & Transportation Service**  
  The Pennsylvania Care Planning Council lists companies and individual providers who help families deal with the crisis and burden of long term care.

- **PA Dept of Human Services Medical Assistance Transportation Program**  
  570-839-8210 or 888-955-6282  
  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.

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

- **Works for Me**  
  1-877-268-9894  
  Giving people with disabilities information on work options and vocational services for the disabled