

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

**Provider Eligibility Program (PEP) Descriptions**

A Provider Eligibility Program code identifies a program for which a provider may apply. A provider must be approved in that program to be reimbursed for services to beneficiaries of that program. Providers should use the following PEP codes when enrolling in Medical Assistance (MA). Providers should use the descriptions in this document to determine which PEP code to use when enrolling in MA.

**ACT 150 Program**

**Office of Long Term Living - (800) 932-0939**

This program provides services to eligible persons with physical disabilities in order to prevent institutionalization and allows them to remain as independent as possible. The ACT 150 Program is operated only with State funds.

**Eligibility:**

Recipients either do not meet the level of care for a federally supported waiver or do not meet the financial limitations for the Attendant Care Waiver.

**Services:**

- Personal Assistance Services
- Personal Emergency Response System
- Service Coordination

**Adult Autism Waiver (AAW)**

**Bureau of Autism Services - (866) 539-7689**

The AAW is designed to provide long-term services and supports for community living, tailored to the specific needs of adults age 21 or older with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). The program is designed to help adults with ASD participate in their communities in the way they want to, based upon their identified needs.

**Eligibility:**

Recipients must be 21 or older and have a diagnosis of ASD and meet certain diagnostic, functional and financial eligibility criteria.

**Services:**

- Assistive Technology
- Behavioral Specialist
- Community Inclusion and Community Transition
- Counseling
- Day Habilitation
- Environmental Modifications
- Family Counseling and Family Training
- Job Assessment and Job Finding
- Nutritional Consultation
- Occupational Therapy
- Residential Habilitation
- Respite
- Speech Therapy
- Supported Employment
- Supports Coordination
- Temporary Crisis Services
- Transitional Work Services

**Aging Waiver (formerly PDA Waiver/Bridge Program)**

**Office of Long Term Living - (800) 932-0939**

This program provides services to eligible persons over the age of 60 in order to prevent institutionalization and allows them to remain as independent as possible.

**Eligibility:**

Recipients must be 60 years of age or older, meet the level of care needs for a Skilled Nursing Facility, and meet the financial requirements as determined by the County Assistance Office (CAO).

**Services:**

- Accessibility Adaptation
- Adult Daily Living
- Community Transition Services
- Home Delivered Meals
- Home Health
- Non-Medical Transportation
- Personal Assistance Services
- Personal Emergency Response System
- Respite
- Service Coordination
- Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies
- Telecare Services
- Therapeutic and Counseling Services
- Transition Service Coordination

**AIDS Waiver**

**Office of Long Term Living - (800) 932-0939**

This is a federally approved special program which allows the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to provide certain home and community-based services not provided under the regular fee-for-service program to persons with symptomatic HIV disease or AIDS.

**Eligibility:**

Categorically and medically needy recipients may be eligible if they are diagnosed as having AIDS or symptomatic HIV disease, are certified by a physician and recipient as needing an intermediate or higher level of care and the cost of services under the waiver does not exceed alternative care under the regular MA Program.

MA recipients who are enrolled in a managed care organization (MCO) or an MA Hospice Program are not eligible to participate in this home and community-based waiver program. Contact your MCO for comparable services.

**Services:**

- Homemaker services
- Nutritional consultations by registered dietitians
- Supplemental skilled nursing visits
- Supplemental home health aide visits
- Supplies not covered by the State Plan

**Attendant Care Waiver**

**Office of Long Term Living - (800) 932-0939**

This program provides services to eligible persons with physical disabilities in order to prevent institutionalization and allows them to remain as independent as possible.

**Eligibility:**

Recipients must be between the ages 18–59, physically disabled, mentally alert, and eligible for nursing facility services.

Services:

- Community Transition Services
- Personal Assistance Services
- Personal Emergency Response System
- Service Coordination
- Transition Service Coordination

**Behavioral Health HealthChoices (Beh Hlth HC)**

**Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services - (800) 433-4459**

This PEP is used to identify providers who are approved to serve recipients enrolled exclusively in HealthChoices.

Eligibility:

- Recipients are HealthChoices only eligible;
- Provider must contract with the contracted County or Contracted Behavioral Health Managed Care Organization (BH-MCO)
- Licensed/certified/approved service description and credentialed by the contracted County or BH-MCO;
- Requires written pre-requisite documentation from the contracted County or BH-MCO;
- Used exclusively by OMHSAS

Services:

- Alternative treatment services which are discretionary, cost-effective alternatives to acute levels of care
- Contact contracted County or BH-MCO for definition of services

**Community Care Waiver (COMMCARE)**

**Office of Long Term Living - (800) 932-0939**

This program was designed to prevent institutionalization of individuals with traumatic brain injury (TBI) and to allow them to remain as independent as possible.

Eligibility:

Pennsylvania residents age 21 and older who experience a medically determinable diagnosis of traumatic brain injury and require a Special Rehabilitative Facility (SRF) level of care. Traumatic brain injury is defined as a sudden insult to the brain or its coverings, not of a degenerative, congenital or post-operative nature, which is expected to last indefinitely.

Services:

- Accessibility Adaptations
- Adult Daily Living
- Community Integration
- Community Transition Services
- Home Health
- Non-Medical Transportation
- Personal Assistance Services
- Personal Emergency Response System
- Prevocational Services
- Residential Habilitation
- Respite
- Service Coordination
- Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies
- Structured Day
- Supported Employment
- Therapeutic and Counseling Services
- Transition Service Coordination

**Consolidated Community Reporting Initiative Performance Outcome Management System (EPOMS)**

**Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services - (800) 433-4459**

This PEP is used to identify providers who are approved to serve county based-funded mental health recipients.

Eligibility:

- Recipients are non-Medicaid - county funded only;
- Providers do not receive payment through the MMIS (encounter data reporting only);
- The PEP can be added to an independent service location; in conjunction with a Beh Hlth HC or FFS PEP;
- Provider must contract with the County Mental Health Office;
- Licensed/certified/service description and approved by the County Mental Health Office;
- Requires written pre-requisite documentation from the County Mental Health Office;
- Used exclusively by OMHSAS

Services:

- All county funded providers must enroll at the appropriate service location for the county rendered service;
- Contact contracted County Mental Health Office for definition of services

**Consolidated Waiver**

**Office of Developmental Programs - (866) 539-7689**

The Consolidated Waiver is a Home and Community-Based program that is designed for Pennsylvania residents ages 3 and older with a diagnosis of an intellectual disability.

The Pennsylvania Consolidated Waiver is designed to help individuals with an intellectual 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.

Services:

- Assistive technology
- Behavioral support
- Companion
- Education support
- Home accessibility adaptations
- Home and community habilitation (unlicensed)
- Homemaker/chore
- Licensed day habilitation
- Nursing
- Prevocational
- (Licensed) residential habilitation
- (Unlicensed) residential habilitation
- Respite
- Specialized supplies
- Supported employment
- Supports broker
- Supports coordination
- Therapy (physical, occupational, visual/mobility, behavioral and speech and language)
- Transitional work
- Transportation
- Vehicle accessibility adaptations

### **Early Intervention (WAV15)**

**Office of Child Development and Early Learning - (717) 772-2376**

#### Eligibility:

Infants and toddlers age birth to age 3 who have a 25% delay in one or more areas of development when compared to other children of the same age, or a physical disability such as hearing or vision loss, or informed clinical opinion that the child has a delay or the child has known physical or mental conditions which have high probability for development delays. Infants and toddlers also meet the Medical Assistance requirements.

#### Services:

Early Intervention supports and services are designed to meet the developmental needs of children with a disability as well as the needs of the family related to enhancing the child's development in one or more of the following areas:

- Physical development, including vision and hearing
- Cognitive development
- Communication development
- Social or emotional development
- Adaptive development

### **EI Base Funds (WAV16)**

**Office of Child Development and Early Learning - (717) 772-2376**

#### Eligibility:

Infants and toddlers age birth to age 3 who have a 25% delay in one or more areas of development when compared to other children of the same age, or a physical disability such as hearing or vision loss, or informed clinical opinion that the child has a delay or the child has known physical or mental conditions which have high probability for development delays.

#### Services:

Early Intervention supports and services are designed to meet the developmental needs of children with a disability as well as the needs of the family related to enhancing the child's development in one or more of the following areas:

- Physical development, including vision and hearing
- Cognitive development
- Communication development
- Social or emotional development
- Adaptive development

### **Fee-for-Service**

**Office of Medical Assistance Programs - (800) 537-8862**

The traditional delivery system of the Medical Assistance (MA) program which provides payment on a per-service basis for health care providers who render services to eligible MA recipients.

#### Eligibility:

All MA Recipients.

#### Services:

- Behavioral health services
- Inpatient services
- Outpatient services
- Physical health services

### **Healthy Beginnings Plus**

**Office of Medical Assistance Programs - (800) 537-8862**

Healthy Beginnings Plus is Pennsylvania's effort to assist low-income pregnant women, who are eligible for Medical Assistance (MA). Healthy Beginnings Plus expands the scope of maternity services that can be reimbursed by the MA Program. Care coordination, early intervention, and continuity of care as well as medical/obstetric care are important features of the Healthy Beginnings Plus program.

Eligibility:

Pregnant women who elect to participate in Healthy Beginnings Plus.

Services:

- Childbirth and parenting classes
- Home health services
- Nutritional and psychosocial counseling
- Other individualized client services
- Smoking cessation counseling

### **Independence Waiver**

**Office of Long Term Living - (800) 932-0939**

This program provides services to eligible persons with physical disabilities in order to prevent institutionalization and allows them to remain as independent as possible.

Eligibility:

Recipients must be 18 years of age and older, suffer from severe physical disability which is likely to continue indefinitely and results in substantial functional limitations in three or more major life activities. Recipients must be eligible for nursing facility services, the primary diagnosis cannot be a mental health diagnosis or mental retardation, and the recipients cannot be ventilator dependent.

Services:

- Accessibility Adaptation
- Adult Daily Living
- Community Integration
- Community Transition Services
- Home Health
- Non-Medical Transportation
- Personal Assistance Services
- Personal Emergency Response System
- Respite
- Service Coordination
- Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies
- Supported Employment
- Therapeutic and Counseling Services
- Transition Service Coordination

**Infants, Toddlers and Families Waiver (WAV11)**

**Office of Child Development and Early Learning - (717) 772-2376**

**Eligibility:**

Infants and toddlers, birth to age 3 who have a 50% delay in one area of development or two 25% delays in two areas of development when compared to other children of the same age and meets the Medical Assistance requirements.

**Services:**

Early Intervention supports and services are designed to meet the developmental needs of children with a disability as well as the needs of the family related to enhancing the child's development in one or more of the following areas:

- Physical development, including vision and hearing
- Cognitive development
- Communication development
- Social or emotional development
- Adaptive development

**Intellectual Disability Base Program (formerly MR Base Program)**

**Office of Developmental Programs - (866) 539-7689**

The ID Base Program is program that is designed for Pennsylvania residents of any age who have a diagnosis of an intellectual disability. These services are offered through the Office of Developmental Programs.

Services available under the Medicaid waivers may also be provided and funded as base services. Base services are generally funded 90% state and 10% county, except for residential services that are 100% state funded.

**Services:**

- Base Service not Otherwise Specified
- Family aide
- Family education training
- Family Support Services/Individual Payment
- Home Rehabilitation
- Licensed residential services in homes where 9 or more individuals reside
- Recreation/leisure time activities
- Service coordination
- Special Diet Preparation
- Support (Medical Environment)

**Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act Waiver (OBRA Waiver)**

**Office of Long Term Living - (800) 932-0939**

Also known as the Community Services Program for Persons with Disabilities, provides services to persons with developmental disabilities so that they can live in the community and remain as independent as possible (this includes relocating or diverting individuals from a nursing home to a community setting).

**Eligibility:**

Recipients must be developmentally disabled, the disability manifests itself before age 22, and the disability is likely to continue indefinitely which results in substantial functional limitations in three or more major life activities. The recipient can be a nursing facility resident determined to be inappropriately placed. The primary diagnosis cannot be a mental health diagnosis or mental retardation and community residents who meet ICF/ORC level of care (high need for habilitation services) may be eligible.

Services:

- Accessibility Adaptation
- Adult Daily Living
- Community Integration
- Community Transition Services
- Home Health
- Non-Medical Transportation
- Personal Assistance Services
- Personal Emergency Response System
- Prevocational Services
- Residential Habilitation
- Respite
- Service Coordination
- Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies
- Structured Day
- Supported Employment
- Therapeutic and Counseling Services
- Transition Service Coordination

**Person/Family Directed Support Waiver (P/FDS)**

**Office of Developmental Programs - (866) 539-7689**

The Person/Family Directed Support Waiver is a Home and Community-Based program that is designed for Pennsylvania residents age 3 and older with a diagnosis of an intellectual disability.

The Pennsylvania P/FDS Waiver is designed to help individuals with an intellectual 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.

Services:

- Assistive technology
- Behavioral support
- Companion
- Education support
- Home accessibility adaptations
- Home and community habilitation (unlicensed)
- Homemaker/chore
- Licensed day habilitation
- Nursing
- Prevocational
- Respite
- Specialized supplies
- Supported employment
- Supports broker
- Supports coordination
- Therapy (physical, occupational, visual/mobility, behavioral and speech and language)
- Transitional work
- Transportation
- Vehicle accessibility adaptations