



pennsylvania
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF LONG TERM LIVING

Home and Community-Based Waiver Programs

AGING WAIVER

- Eligibility:** PA resident, age 60 or older, nursing facility clinically eligible.
- Services:** Accessibility Adaptations, Equipment, Technology, Medical Supplies, Adult Daily Living Services, Community Transition Services, Counseling Services, Environmental Modifications, Financial Management Services, Home Delivered Meals, Home Health Services, Participant-Directed Community Supports, Participant-Directed Goods and Services, Personal Assistance Services, Personal Emergency Response System (PERS), Respite, Service Coordination, TeleCare, Non-Medical Transportation.

ATTENDANT CARE/ACT 150

- Eligibility:** PA resident, ages 18 through 59, physical disability, mentally alert, can manage own financial/legal affairs.
- Services:** Community Transition Services (available only through the Attendant Care Waiver), Financial Management Services, Participant-Directed Community Supports, Participant-Directed Goods and Services, Personal Assistance Services, Personal Emergency Response Systems (PERS), Service Coordination.

INDEPENDENCE

- Eligibility:** PA resident, age 18 and older, severe physical disability requiring a nursing facility level of care. Disability must result in substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following major life activities: mobility, communication, self-care, self-direction, capacity for independent living, and learning. No mental retardation or major mental disorder as a primary diagnosis.
- Services:** Accessibility Adaptations, Equipment, Technology, Medical Supplies, Adult Daily Living, Community Integration Services, Community Transition Services, Financial Management Services, Home Health, Non-Medical Transportation, Personal Assistance Services, Personal Emergency Response System (PERS), Respite, Service Coordination, Supported Employment, Therapeutic and Counseling Services.

COMMCARE

- Eligibility:** PA resident, age 21 and older, who experience a medically determinable diagnosis of traumatic brain injury. Disability must result in substantial functional limitation in three or more of the following major life activities: mobility, behavior, communication, self-care, self-direction, capacity for independent living, and cognitive capacity (judgment, memory and reasoning). Traumatic brain injury or TBI is defined as a sudden insult to the brain or its covering, NOT of a degenerative, congenital or post-operative nature, which is expected to last indefinitely.

COMMCARE (Cont'd)

Services: Accessibility Adaptations, Equipment, Technology, Medical Supplies, Adult Daily Living, Community Integration Services, Community Transition Services, Financial Management Services, Home Health, Non-Medical Transportation, Personal Assistance Services, Personal Emergency Response System (PERS), Pre-Vocational Services, Residential Habilitation, Respite, Service Coordination, Structured Day Habilitation, Supported Employment, Therapeutic and Counseling Services.

OBRA

Eligibility: PA resident, age 18 and older, Other Related Condition. Other related conditions (ORCs) include physical, sensory, or neurological disabilities which manifest before age 22, are likely to continue indefinitely, and result in substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following areas of major life activity: capacity for independent living, mobility, self-direction, learning, understanding and use of language, and self-care.

Services: Accessibility Adaptations, Equipment, Technology, and Medical Supplies, Adult Daily Living, Community Integration Services, Community Transition Services, Financial Management Services, Home Health, Non-Medical Transportation, Personal Assistance Services, Personal Emergency Response System (PERS), Residential Habilitation, Respite Services, Service Coordination, Structured Day Habilitation, Supported Employment, Therapeutic and Counseling Services.

LIFE (Living Independence for the Elderly)

Eligibility: PA resident, age 55 or older, level of care needs for a skilled nursing facility or a special rehabilitation facility, meet the financial requirements as determined by your local County Assistance Office or be able to privately pay, reside in an area served by a LIFE provider, be able to be safely served in the community as determined by a LIFE provider.

Services: Adult Day Health Services, Audiology Services, Dental Services, Emergency Care, End of Life Services, Hospital and Nursing Facility Services, In-home Supportive Care, Lab and X-ray, Services, Meals, Medical and Non-medical Transportation, Medical Specialists, Optometry Services and Eyeglasses, Nursing and Medical Coverage 24/7, Nursing Care, Personal Care, Pharmaceuticals, Physical, Speech and Occupational Therapies, Primary Medical Care, Recreational and Socialization Activities, Social Services, Specialized Medical Equipment.

HOW TO ENROLL IN OLTL or AGING WAIVERS

PA residents who are over 18 and eligible for nursing facility or intermediate care facilities may be eligible for one of the Home and Community Based Waiver programs.

Applicants interested in OLTL programs can contact the following enrollment entities to apply:

ATTENDANT CARE, INDEPENDENCE, COMMCARE AND OBRA WAIVERS

PA Independent Enrollment Broker
6385 Flank Drive, Suite 400
Harrisburg, PA 17112
Phone (877) 550-4227
Fax (717) 888-349-026

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Applicants should contact their local Area Agency on Aging listed at:

<http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt?open=514&objID=616424&mode=2>

LIFE (Living Independence for the Elderly)

Applicants interested in the LIFE Program should contact their local Area Agency on Aging or call the toll-free Long Term Living Helpline at 1-800-753-8827.