

## Medical Assistance for Parents - Video Script

1. Understanding Medical Assistance in Education
2. First, let us go over what Medical Assistance is
3. Medical Assistance, also known as Medicaid
4. is a state funded health insurance program
5. with the broadest coverage of health services.
6. Medical Assistance, or MA for short,
7. is available to students under 21 years of age,
8. that requires an extra level of support.
9. MA can be a child's primary, and only, health insurance
10. Or it can be supplemental insurance,
11. That pays for services and equipment not covered by a primary insurance plan.
12. In Pennsylvania, many children with exceptionalities will qualify for Medical Assistance
13. regardless of their current health insurance plan
14. and household income.
15. If eligible, children will have access to additional resources to meet their developmental needs.
16. Now, let us discuss how Medical Assistance helps school districts and special education.
17. Medical Assistance plays a critical role in supporting special education
18. by providing reimbursement funds to schools for
19. the health-related services that MA Eligible students receive in a school setting.
20. These critical funds can only be used for special education purposes
21. And it helps districts provide valuable resources and staff for all special education students.
22. For more information on medical assistance please contact Downingtown Pupil Services or go to the compass website to complete an MA application online.