



**Philadelphia Special Needs  
Consortium  
Participant Directory**



**2016**

## **Executive Summary**

The Philadelphia Special Needs Consortium (PSNC) is convened by the Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Division of Maternal, Child and Family Health (MCFH). The group provides a forum for discussion and exploration of mechanisms to enhance health care systems and service provision for children with special health care needs (CSHCN). The PSNC facilitates information exchange and networking among families, health care and insurance providers, legal advocates, as well as local, state, and federal policy and planning agents who directly or indirectly influence care for CSHCN.

Group discussion is informed by anonymous case-examples to enable participants to gain a better understanding of system-level issues. Participation is open to anyone who has an interest in health care provision and social services for children and families with special health care needs.

NOTE: This directory is not a comprehensive resource guide. It provides a quick reference of those who have participated in the PSNC over the past few years and who agreed to have their names included. The current information is from April 2016. While we make every endeavor to keep it up to date, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of any given entry. If you are aware of any errors, or information that is out of date, please contact MCFH at 215.685.5232. We will make changes at the next revision, which we will aim to do annually.

*5/10/16*

## **New Programs for the 2016 Edition**

### **BEATITUDES HOME HEALTH CARE**

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[www.beattitudeshomehealthcare.com](http://www.beattitudeshomehealthcare.com)

Dennies Sealey, Executive Director

We are qualified to work with all the ODP Waivers with the exception of the IDS Waiver program at this time. We are working on qualifications for the IDS Waiver.

### **LIBERTY RESOURCES, INC.**

Philadelphia Center for Independent Living  
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Philadelphia, PA 19106  
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215-634-6195 (fax)  
[www.libertyresources.org](http://www.libertyresources.org)

Liberty Resources Inc. is the Center for Independent Living for people with disabilities in Philadelphia. We concentrate on five core services: information and referral/peer support/skills training/advocacy/nursing home and young adult transition.

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### **LINCOLN HEALTHCARE**

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Intermittent and Private Duty Skilled and Non Skilled services for pediatric and adult clients.

Lincoln Healthcare is a full service home healthcare company providing pediatric and adult home care services to clients throughout Bucks, Montgomery, Chester, Philadelphia, and Delaware Counties. We are Medicare Licensed and ACHC Accredited. We provide the highest level of clinical support necessary to achieve the best possible outcome, by matching a healthcare professional with the right skills, personality, experience, and passion for what they do to meet a patient's specific needs.

### **PARENT EDUCATION ADVOCACY LEADERSHIP (PEAL CENTER)**

520 N Christopher Columbus Blvd., Suite 602  
Philadelphia, PA 19123  
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412-281-4404  
866-950-1040 (Toll-free)  
412-281-4409 (TTY)  
215-399-9716 (fax)  
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Ana M. Pacheco, Eastern Region Parent Advisor

Advocacy and education for individuals and families to ensure that children, youth and adults with disabilities and special health care needs lead rich, active lives and participate as full members of their schools and communities [www.pealcenter.org](http://www.pealcenter.org)

***Participant Listings***

Acquired Brain Injury Network of Pennsylvania

AETNA Better Health, AETNA Better Health Kids

AHEDD

A.J. Drexel Autism Institute

Albert Einstein Medical Center

Alpha Pregnancy Services

American Academy of Pediatrics, PA Chapter, Medical Home Initiative

ASAP/After School Activities Partnership

Autism Services Education Resources and Training Collaborative (ASERT)

Bayada Nurses

Best Nest, Inc.

Beatitudes Home Health Care

Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania- Bucks County Health Department

Chester County Health Department

Child Care Information Services of Philadelphia (CCIS)

Child Health Consultants

(The) Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

*(including the Karabots Pediatric Care Center and the Center for Autism Research)*

Childway Pediatric

Community Behavioral Health (CBH)

Community Legal Services, Inc.

Congreso de Latinos Unidos

Coventry Cares (HMO)

Disabilities Rights Network

Drexel University College of Nursing and Health Professions

Easter Seals of Philadelphia

Education Law Center of Pennsylvania

ELWYN

Epilepsy Foundation of Eastern Pennsylvania

Frankie's World

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HealthPartners Plans  
Health Promotion Council  
HMS School for Children with Cerebral Palsy  
Institute on Disabilities at Temple University  
Intergenerational Center Temple University  
Jewish Family & Children's Services  
Juvenile Law Center  
Kelly Anne Dolan Memorial Fund  
KenCrest Services  
Keystone Mercy Health Plan  
LaSalle Neighborhood Nursing Center  
Lauren's House  
Legal Clinic for the Disabled  
Liberty Resources, Inc.  
Lincoln Health Care  
Loving Care Agency  
MARSCare Home Health  
Mayor's Commission on People with Disabilities  
Mental Health Association of Southeastern Pennsylvania  
Montgomery County Early Intervention  
Montgomery County Health Department  
National Nursing Centers Consortium  
Neurodevelopmental Pediatrics of the Main Line  
North, Inc. (WIC Program)  
Nurse Family Partnership  
Parent Education Advocacy Leadership (PEAL)  
Parents Exchange  
Parent to Parent of Pennsylvania  
Pediatric HealthCare for Kids  
Pediatric Specialty Care  
Pegasus Therapeutic Riding Academy, Inc.

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Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation  
Pennsylvania Community Providers Association  
Pennsylvania Council for Children, Youth and Family Services  
Pennsylvania Department of Health  
Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, Office of Medical Assistance  
Pennsylvania Enrollment Services Program HealthChoices  
Pennsylvania Health Law Project  
Pennsylvania School for the Deaf  
Philadelphia Coordinated Health Council (PCHC)  
Philadelphia Department of Behavioral Health and Intellectual disAbilities Services (DBH/IDS)  
Philadelphia Department of Human Services  
Philadelphia Department of Public Health  
Philadelphia School District  
PILCOP (Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia)  
PSA HealthCare  
Public Citizens for Children and Youth (PCCY)  
Public Health Management Corporation (*including ChildLink, HIP and PersonLink and programs*)  
ResCare HomeCare PA  
Shriners Hospital for Children Philadelphia  
SNI Home Care, Inc.  
Special Kids Network (SKN)  
St. Christopher's Hospital for Children Support Center for Child Advocates  
Tabor Children's Services  
Therapy Solutions Children's Services  
Thomas Jefferson University  
United Cerebral Palsy of Philadelphia and Vicinity  
United Health Care Community Plan of Pennsylvania (*formerly Americhoice*)  
Ventilator Assisted Children's Home Program (VACHP)  
Vision for Equality Health Care Advocacy  
Visiting Nurse Group  
Widener Memorial School

# **Participant Directory 2016**

**ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY  
NETWORK OF PENNSYLVANIA**

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The Acquired Brain Injury Network provides information and literature about brain injury and recovery. A monthly newsletter and PeerConnect Partners Program for phone support are available. Services are free of charge to residents of Pennsylvania.

**AETNA BETTER HEALTH, AETNA BETTER  
HEALTH KIDS**

2000 Market Street  
Suite 850  
Philadelphia, PA 19103  
1.866.628.1232  
[www.aetnabetterhealth.com/pennsylvania](http://www.aetnabetterhealth.com/pennsylvania)

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Manager of Special Needs Case Management  
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Aetna Better Health offers Special Needs Case Management and care coordination services to members with special health care needs.

**AHEDD**

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Mary Berry-Shields, Area Manager  
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AHEDD is private, non-profit specialized human resource organization founded in 1977, with a mission to serve the community as a catalyst in the employment and development of persons with disabilities. AHEDD assists youth and adults that are interested in exploring, obtaining, and maintaining employment in competitive work settings, through a network of field offices throughout PA. AHEDD offers pre-employment services, job development, on-site and off-site support, follow along, and information and referral services.

**Work Incentive Counseling (WIC)**

Since 2001, AHEDD has been helping participants utilize work incentives available through the Social Security Administration, in order to achieve their employment goals and attain greater financial independence. Through the provision of Work Incentive Counseling, AHEDD assists individuals with understanding the impact of paid employment on their cash benefits, healthcare, and other relevant federal, state, and local benefits. Ideally, this service is for individuals ages 14-64, who are enrolled in school, continuing in post-secondary education, are considering working in the near future, and/or are currently employed.

Michele Boardman, Community Work Incentive Coordinator  
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**A.J. DREXEL AUTISM INSTITUTE**

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Philadelphia, PA 19104  
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Email: [Autisminstitute@drexel.edu](mailto:Autisminstitute@drexel.edu)

The A.J. Drexel Autism Institute's mission is to discover, develop and implement community-based approaches that will provide a better understanding of how adolescents and young adults with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) can be integrated into the community and lead fulfilling and independent lives; help children with ASD receive services more quickly & efficiently; promote effective intervention delivery throughout communities; and identify

preventable causes of ASD, and address the needs of, and improve the quality of life for, individuals with ASD of all ages and their families. The Autism Institute has established several focused research programs that take public health science approaches to questions about the causes of autism, prevention, assessment of outcomes over the lifespan, and delivery of services. The programs capitalize on existing autism research at Drexel and on the expertise of newly recruited faculty leaders.

### **ALBERT EINSTEIN MEDICAL CENTER**

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Jacqueline Lynch, PhD, LSW  
215.456.8708

Albert Einstein Medical Center and its facilities at Moss Hospital provide a wide range of pediatric and adult services. The Pediatric and Adolescent Ambulatory Center is a medical home for children with special health care needs. Developmental Pediatrics offers the Multidisciplinary Autism Program. The Center for Adults with Developmental Disabilities provides services for 21-year-olds who are transitioning into adult care (215.456. 9142).

### **ALPHA PREGNANCY SERVICES**

1601 Lombard Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19146  
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Alpha offers life-affirming hope and help to women and families facing pregnancy or related concerns in a safe and caring environment. Alpha serves women and their families without discrimination. Our staff of nurses and social workers provides social services, medical referrals, health education, and life-skills.

### **AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS, PA CHAPTER, MEDICAL HOME INITIATIVE**

Rose Tree Corporate Center II  
1400 N. Providence Road, Suite 3007  
Media, PA 19063  
[www.pamedicalhome.org](http://www.pamedicalhome.org)

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The Medical Home Initiative works with physician practices statewide to develop a system of care that focuses on identification of children and youth with special health care needs, family centered care, links to community resources and care coordination.

### **ASAP/AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES PARTNERSHIP**

1520 Locust Street, Suite 1104  
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215.545.3054 (fax)  
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Through citywide initiatives – chess, Scrabble, debate and drama among them -- ASAP/After School Activities Partnerships seeks to increase the number sustainable after school enrichment opportunities that complement classroom learning and help students progress toward graduation. Each year, ASAP releases its *Annual Directory of After School Enrichment Activities*, an important resource for parents, caregivers, and youth workers to keep the city's young people safe and stimulated in the dangerous after school hours – published as a supplement to the Philadelphia Daily News and updated monthly on ASAP's website ([www.phillyasap.org](http://www.phillyasap.org)).

**AUTISM SERVICES EDUCATION RESOURCES AND TRAINING COLLABORATIVE (ASERT)**

Statewide toll-free number: 877.231.4244  
Website: [www.paautism.org](http://www.paautism.org)  
Email: [Info@PAautism.org](mailto:Info@PAautism.org)

ASERT is a statewide initiative funded by the Bureau of Autism Services, PA Department of Public Welfare. The ASERT Collaborative is a partnership of medical centers, centers of autism research and services, universities and other providers of services involved in the treatment and care of individuals with autism and their families. The ASERT Collaborative has been designed to bring together resources locally, regionally, and statewide.

**BAYADA NURSES**

Philadelphia Pediatric Office  
400 Market Street, Suite 830  
Philadelphia, PA 19106

BAYADA Home Health Care  
Philadelphia Pediatrics Office  
[www.bayada.com](http://www.bayada.com)

Brendan Dolan, Director  
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Willow Grove Pediatrics  
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Bayada provides pediatric and adult skilled nursing, home health aides, and therapy services by an interdisciplinary team of physical therapists, speech therapists, occupational therapists and social workers.

**BEST NEST, INC.**

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Best Nest, Inc., provides a continuum of services to children and families who have special medical needs. These services include both general and medical foster and kinship care, in-home protective services for children with special health care needs, adoption services and parenting education and support services developed for parents who have children with medical/special needs.

**BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA**

950 Walnut Bottom Road  
Ste 15-229  
Carlisle, PA 17015  
866.635.7097  
717.692.5567 (fax)  
Resource Line: 800.444.6443

Administrator: Kara Latshaw  
[admin@biapa.org](mailto:admin@biapa.org)

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.

**BUCKS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

1282 Almshouse Rd.  
Neshaminy Manor Center, Health Building  
Doylestown, PA 18901

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Lewis Polk, MD, Medical Director  
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[ldpolk@co.bucks.pa.us](mailto:ldpolk@co.bucks.pa.us)

Bucks County Health Department is a member of the Bucks County Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC), which includes parents and agencies in Bucks County involved with early intervention (0-5).

**CHESTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

601 Westtown Road, Suite 180  
P.O. Box 2747  
West Chester, PA 19380-0990  
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John Maher, Medical Director  
610.344.6230  
[jmaher@chesco.org](mailto:jmaher@chesco.org)

Patricia Yoder, MSN, RN  
Title V Coordinator  
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610.344.5405 (fax)  
[pyoder@chesco.org](mailto:pyoder@chesco.org)

The Chester County Health Department provides nurse home visiting services to families with young children with special health care needs for the purposes of education and linkage with medical providers and support services. Services are free of charge and are available to any Chester County resident. Free immunization services are also available.

**CHILD CARE INFORMATION SERVICES OF PHILADELPHIA (CCIS)**

[www.philadelphiachildcare.org](http://www.philadelphiachildcare.org)

*NORTH PHILADELPHIA*

The Wallace Building  
642 N. Broad Street, Ste. 601  
Philadelphia, PA 19130  
1.888.461.KIDS

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215.763.0100  
215.763.1995 (fax)  
[north@PhiladelphiaChildCare.org](mailto:north@PhiladelphiaChildCare.org)

*NORTHEAST PHILADELPHIA*

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Philadelphia, PA 19115

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*NORTHWEST PHILADELPHIA*

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Ground Floor Suite  
Philadelphia, PA 19144

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*SOUTH/CENTER CITY PHILADELPHIA*  
1500 S. Columbus Blvd., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Philadelphia, PA 19147

Julio Paz y Mino, Director- South/Center City  
215.271.0433  
215.271.2041 (fax)  
[south@PhiladelphiaChildCare.org](mailto:south@PhiladelphiaChildCare.org)

*WEST/SOUTHWEST PHILADELPHIA*  
The Market at University Square  
3901 Market Street, Box 1969  
Philadelphia, PA 19104

Paul Greenwald, Director  
215.382.4762  
215.382.1199 (fax)

Philadelphia CCIS counselors help families find, select, and pay for childcare resources. The program maintains a database of childcare programs in the Philadelphia area, which is located in five conveniently located neighborhood offices.

#### **CHILD HEALTH CONSULTANTS**

P.O. Box 12638  
Philadelphia, PA 19129  
215.316.6359

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Child Health Consultants' nurses provide nursing consultation to DHS social workers and provider agencies. They make home visits, attend hospital meetings, interpret medical information and participate in multi-disciplinary case conferences.

**(THE) CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA**  
34<sup>th</sup> Street and Civic Center Boulevard  
Philadelphia, PA 19104  
[www.chop.edu](http://www.chop.edu)

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#### **CHOP Karabots Pediatric Care Center**

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Philadelphia, PA 19139  
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The CHOP Karabots Pediatric Care Center provides convenient access to health services for the children of Philadelphia. Our primary care teams consist of pediatricians, nurse practitioners, social workers, educators and other support staff. Our emphasis is on preventing disease, treating illness and providing information and education, as well as social support to patients and their families.

#### **The Center for Autism Research (CAR)**

The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia  
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The Center for Autism Research is a collaborative effort between The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and the University of Pennsylvania. CAR's goals are to identify the causes of autism spectrum disorders (ASD) and develop effective treatments. CAR conducts research studies for

infants at risk for being diagnosed with ASD (due to having a sibling already diagnosed) as well as toddlers, school-aged children, and adults. Families receive comprehensive assessment reports and are paid for their time and travel costs.

### **CHILDWAY PEDIATRIC**

607 East Main Street, Lansdale, PA 19446  
640 West Main Street, Lansdale, PA 19446

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ChildWay's mission is to commit ourselves to children who are technologically dependent and medically fragile by providing them with services and programs in a home-like setting under care of our professional nursing staff. Our goal is to provide exceptional and individual attention to each child. We will provide the most knowledgeable and compassionate care to ensure that each child achieves his or her full potential in life.

ChildWay is a non-profit organization. Our facilities are close to public transportation including the R5 regional rail.

### **COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (CBH)**

801 Market Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Philadelphia, PA 19107  
215.413.3100  
[www.dbhmrs.org](http://www.dbhmrs.org)

Member Services available 24/7  
888.545.2600  
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215.413.7184 (fax)  
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Community Behavioral Health (CBH) is a part of the Philadelphia Behavioral Health System that manages mental health services to all residents of Philadelphians enrolled in Medical Assistance. CBH assists members in accessing mental health and substance abuse treatment services by working with the member to obtain an appointment, arrange transportation, or helping a member in need of emergency behavioral health treatment.

### **COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES, INC.**

1424 Chestnut Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19102  
[www.clsphila.org/abc1.htm](http://www.clsphila.org/abc1.htm)

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Karen Bones, Bilingual Paralegal  
Hotline: 215.981.3756 (Spanish and English)

**The Advocating on Behalf of Children Project** (The ABC Project) of Community Legal Services, Inc., provides legal assistance to low-income children with special health needs and their families. The ABC project helps families seek and retain public benefits for their children. ABC works on securing Medical Assistance, childcare, vocational rehabilitation, education, and early intervention for children with disabilities through age eighteen. Also, ABC assists clients in filling out new applications and accompanies clients to

SSI hearings for children who lost services due to the new SSI standards under welfare reform.

### **CONGRESO DE LATINOS UNIDOS**

216 W. Somerset St.  
Philadelphia, PA 19133

Congreso de Latinos Unidos is a multi-service organization with an expert focus in the Latino community that strives to strengthen communities through health, education, economic and social services; leadership development; and advocacy.

#### **HIP:**

The Health Intervention Program (HIP), in the Health Promotion and Wellness Division of Congreso, provides expert, hands-on support to families who are raising children with special health care needs. HIP provides practical and emotional support to families with children ages 0-21 and its team includes social workers, parent professionals, and a public health nurse.

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215.291.1394 (fax)  
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### **COVENTRY CARES (HMO)**

Special Needs Unit  
215.205.8681

### **DISABILITIES RIGHTS NETWORK**

1315 Walnut Street, Ste. 400  
Philadelphia, PA 19107  
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We provide legal advocacy and/or representation to people of all ages with all types of disabilities with respect to disability discrimination and/or access to community-

based disability services in Pennsylvania. Our litigation activities focus primarily on systemic issues (those issues that will affect many people with disabilities). We also give advice and short-term assistance on individual issues. With respect to CSHCN, our activities have focused largely, but not exclusively, on access to services from Medical Assistance (including HealthChoices HMOs) and from the mental health and intellectual disability systems.

### **DREXEL UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE OF NURSING & HEALTH PROFESSIONS**

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### **EASTER SEALS OF SEPA/PHILADELPHIA**

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Easter Seals operates an Approved Private School and a Preschool Early Intervention Program in Philadelphia.

The Approved Private School is for students ages 3-8 with complex needs including physical disabilities, cognitive impairments, and/or autism. Many students are medically fragile and require nursing support. Additional support services include social work, music therapy, and assistive technology.

The Early Intervention Programs is for preschool children ages 3-5 who are demonstrate eligibility based on developmental profile. Referrals are made through Elwyn, Inc.'s Case Managers. Students are served either in our center-based classrooms or in community settings.

### **EDUCATION LAW CENTER OF PENNSYLVANIA**

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ELC provides assistance to families, advocates, and professionals on the legal right of children with special health care needs to special education and other services from the public education system. ELC operates a Parent Helpline – that is, a phone information and advice system (215.238.6970). Our publications can be downloaded from our site [www.elc-pa.org](http://www.elc-pa.org) as well as other information that might be helpful to families and advocates.

### **ELWYN**

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Supports for Living provides both campus and community residential living, In Home Supports and Life Sharing options.

### **Philadelphia Preschool, Elwyn/SEEDS (Special Education for Early Development Success)**

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[www.elwyn.org/program/seeds](http://www.elwyn.org/program/seeds)  
Elwyn, through its early childhood network, provides early intervention services and supports to children between the ages of

three and five who are eligible for special education services and/or specially designed instruction. Services can be provided in the community (i.e., Head Start, day care, play group, recreation center, early intervention center) or the home.

### **EPILEPSY FOUNDATION OF EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA**

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The Epilepsy Foundation Eastern PA is a non-profit voluntary health agency whose mission is to lead the fight to stop seizures, find a cure, and overcome challenges created by epilepsy. We choose to fulfill that mission by meeting the non-medical needs for people affected by epilepsy/seizure disorder to enhance their lives and build supportive communities.

### **FRANKIE'S WORLD FOUNDATION**

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Frankie's World is Philadelphia's non-profit Pediatric Extended Care Center for children, newborn to 12 years of age, who need skilled nursing care for medical reasons. It is licensed by the PA Department of Health,

and is centrally located in Northern Liberties to be accessible to children with from all parts of Philadelphia. The center is staffed by eight experienced pediatric nurses and special needs educators, and is open up to 12 hours per day, seven days per week.

### **HEALTHPARTNERS PLANS**

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HealthPartners is one of the Medicaid HMOs offered by the Department of Public Welfare for PA residents in the Southeast Region. Assistance is available to coordinate services between medical providers and improve access to care. Outreach may be provided by telephone or home visits.

### **HEALTH PROMOTION COUNCIL**

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Health Promotion Council is a non-profit corporation whose mission is to promote health and to prevent and manage chronic disease, especially among vulnerable populations, through community-based outreach, education and advocacy. HPC's unique programs advocating healthier lifestyles, together with its innovative work with underrepresented minority groups, have advanced the field of

health promotion in Southeastern Pennsylvania and across the state. HPC is an affiliate of PHMC.

### **Health Intervention Program (HIP)**

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Health Promotion Council's (HPC) HIP program serves families with a child with special health care needs from ages birth to 21 years. Services are provided by a multidisciplinary team and include home-based case management, health and parenting education, and assistance in obtaining medical, social and educational services. HPC is an affiliate of PHMC.

### **HMS SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN WITH CEREBRAL PALSY**

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We are an approved private school with day and residential programming for students ages 5-21 years. HMS provides special education, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech/language therapy, social work, nursing, recreation therapy, and art and music therapy to students with significant physical and cognitive disabilities, as well as complex medical needs. Students come from local school districts in the tristate area as well as nationally. HMS specializes in utilizing assistive technology (e.g. communication devices, power mobility, etc.) to help each student be as independent as possible.

**INSTITUTE ON DISABILITIES OF TEMPLE UNIVERSITY**

[www.disabilities.temple.edu](http://www.disabilities.temple.edu)

The Institute on Disabilities works in partnership with government at the federal, state, and local levels, business and industry, schools and universities, community organizations, and people with disabilities and families. Leadership development training includes projects that teach people with disabilities, family members, and students to assume leadership roles in the field of developmental disabilities. Projects include Competence and Confidence: Partners in Policymaking (C2P2), C2P2 for early intervention families, and Families First trainings that occur throughout various locations in Philadelphia.

**Pennsylvania's Initiative on Assistive Technology (PIAT)**

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Pennsylvania's Initiative on Assistive Technology (PIAT) offers information and referral about Assistive Technology (AT), device demonstrations, and awareness-level presentations. PIAT's programs include: Pennsylvania's AT Lending Library, a free, state-supported program that loans AT devices to Pennsylvanians of all ages; the Telecommunication Device Distribution Program (TDDP), which provides free specialized equipment to people with disabilities that prevent them from using regular telephone equipment; and the Reused

and Exchanged Equipment Partnership (REEP), a network of programs offering ways for people to obtain, donate, or sell AT equipment.

**INTERGENERATIONAL CENTER TEMPLE UNIVERSITY**

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Family Friends is a family support program for children and families with special needs living in Philadelphia. We also provide support for kinship families. Older adult volunteers are matched with a child/family and visit weekly, providing friendship, respite, attention and care that are unique to grand-parents and Family Friends. Additional support for Kinship families includes Saturday Respite Trips and social work services. All services are provided at low or no cost to participants.

**JEWISH FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES**  
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**JUVENILE LAW CENTER**

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The Juvenile Law Center is a non-profit law firm that advocates for the rights of children who are involved with government agencies: foster care and juvenile delinquency. They help people with problems accessing health care by giving advice on how to use existing grievance procedures. They provide training for people who work with kids in substitute care and foster care placement on how to deal with managed care and with consent and confidentiality.

**KELLY ANNE DOLAN MEMORIAL FUND**

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The Kelly Anne Dolan Memorial Fund provides advocacy, financial assistance, education, and information to the families of terminally, chronically, and critically ill or physically challenged children. Referrals must be made to the fund by a social worker or other medical professional on the fund's data sheet (one page) and must be accompanied by a letter describing the child's medical condition. They have a maximum assistance of \$250 per family per fiscal year.

**KENCREST SERVICES**

3132 Midvale Avenue  
Philadelphia, PA 19129  
[www.kencrest.org](http://www.kencrest.org)

KenCrest's mission *is to provide* quality services to people with developmental disabilities in a manner that respects individual rights, enhances ability, and enables people to have control over their own lives.

KenCrest is an early intervention service provider that offers opportunities to children of all abilities and their families in early intervention, preschool, Head Start/Pre-K Counts, and in-home and community settings. We provide comprehensive services for eligible children and their families using a team to determine appropriate services, including education, therapy, and support of early learning.

**KenCrest Children's Transitional Care Homes**

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Philadelphia, PA 19119  
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For more than 20 years, KenCrest has provided two homes for medically fragile children that provide a medically safe, developmentally sound, and emotionally nurturing place for children to grow and heal. Eligible children are from birth to age six and are medically fragile or technology dependent. Each home has six children along with two nurses and a Child Care Worker around the clock. There are two homes located in the Northwest Philadelphia neighborhoods of Roxborough and Chestnut Hill. The homes are licensed under Intermediate Care Facilities (ICF) regulations that provide rigorous standards for health, safety, active treatment, and community integration. Medicaid eligibility “need for care” is the only requirement needed for admission; no contracts with Medicaid insurance companies.

#### **KEYSTONE MERCY HEALTH PLAN**

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KMHP offers members an extensive provider network of physicians, specialists, pharmacies, and hospitals. In addition, members receive many benefits and services including vision care; dental care; prescription medications; vitamins for children under the age of 21; special needs case management; programs for expectant mothers; and Medical Assistance transportation, to name a few. Members have access to care 24 hours a day, seven days a week, through our network of primary care physicians.

#### **LASALLE NEIGHBORHOOD NURSING CENTER**

1900 West Olney Avenue  
P.O. Box 808  
Philadelphia, PA 19141

LaSalle Neighborhood Nursing Center provides public health nursing services to families in Philadelphia and surrounding counties. Health promotion and disease prevention services include home visits to families, community-based abstinence education for youth, and child care health consultation. The Health Intervention Program serves children with special needs and their families to assist the children to live an everyday life, as far as possible, the same as families of typically developing children.

#### **Health Intervention Program (HIP)**

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#### **LAUREN'S HOUSE**

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Lauren's House is licensed by the Department of Health as a Pediatric Extended Care Center and provides nursing care to medically/technology dependent children in a medically

safe and socially appropriate environment. It can be used in lieu of, or as a complement to, private duty home nursing. The program serves children up to age 21. The centers are open up to 12 hours a day, 7 days a week.

### **LEGAL CLINIC FOR THE DISABLED**

1513 Race Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19102

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The Children's Health/Law Initiative at the Legal Clinic for the Disabled provides free legal services to low-income families of children with special health care needs. Services provided through the initiative include: direct representation of individual clients; information, advice and referrals; and outreach and community education for parents and families as well as organizations serving children with special health care needs.

### **LOVING CARE AGENCY**

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Loving Care Agency and our sister agency, Links2Care, are leading providers of homecare services. Our service enables medically fragile children to be cared for in their home environment. With 37 offices located in 6 states, we work with most major insurance plans, managed care organizations, Medicaid and waiver programs, and state agencies. Our pediatric and adult branches offer a variety of services that support a patient's independence and maximize their quality of life. For special needs and medically fragile children, we provide

highly skilled pediatric clinicians. Our pediatric practice includes caring for children with tracheostomies, ventilators, feeding tubes, and other high-tech treatments. We are able to provide children and families with a healthy, loving experience in the home and community by providing outstanding clinical care and advocacy.

### **MARSCARE HOME HEALTH**

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MARSCare provides 24/7 availability of pediatric and adult skilled nursing, home health aides/companions and a full array of therapy services including physical, occupational, speech and social work. Our pediatric division offers specialized nursing and home health aide support for children with acute and chronic healthcare needs including mechanical ventilation and tracheostomy tube support.

In addition to accepting the traditional HMOs and other commercial insurances, MARSCare also provides services funded through the following pediatric waiver programs administered by the Commonwealth of PA:

- Consolidated Waiver
- Person/Family Directed Support Waiver

These programs provide support for clinical and/or daily living activities for children age three or older with intellectual disabilities requiring active treatment. MARSCare accepts all insurances including Medicaid HMOs.

**MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**

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The Mayor's Commission on People with Disabilities (MCPD) represents the 355,000 Philadelphia residents with disabilities. The only direct service that MCPD provides is information and referral. We help callers connect to local social service agencies, city services, and other service providers. Typical inquiries concern accessible housing, transportation, daycare, home modification, and disability license plates.

Commission members and volunteers are actively involved in our committees: housing, employment, barrier free design, transportation, education, recreation, behavioral health, health and human services, arts and culture, and voter access.

**MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA**

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**Parents Involved Network**

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Montgomery County: 610.279.8511

Philadelphia County: 267.507.3860

Parents Involved Network (PIN) is a peer-to-peer program that assists parents and caregivers of children and adolescents with

behavioral health challenges. PIN provides information, support, referrals, and advocacy; assists parents/ caregivers to acquire services from all state, local, or private child-serving systems.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY EARLY INTERVENTION (EI)**

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**MONTGOMERY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

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Information and referral to appropriate agencies. Home visiting for pregnant and parenting families. Call for more information regarding Health Department services.

**NATIONAL NURSING CENTERS CONSORTIUM**

(see NURSE FAMILY PARTNERSHIP)

**NEURODEVELOPMENTAL PEDIATRICS OF THE MAIN LINE**

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NDPeds is a specialty pediatric practice that works in conjunction with primary care pediatricians. Children with developmental delays or atypical behaviors are evaluated by James Coplan, MD, who is board certified in Developmental Pediatrics and Developmental Disabilities. He is assisted in his practice by Judy Watman, a licensed social worker, who provides assessments and therapeutic intervention to parents and couples.

#### **NORTH, INC./WIC PROGRAM**

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Women, Infants and Children (WIC) is a supplemental food and nutrition education program for women, infants and children up to age 5 years.

#### **NURSE FAMILY PARTNERSHIP**

*A program of the National Nursing Centers Consortium (an affiliate of PHMC)*  
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#### **Philadelphia Nurse-Family Partnership and Mabel Morris Early Childhood Home Visitation Programs**

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Serves the entire city/county at no charge to families. The program goals are to improve pregnancy outcomes; improve child development; strengthen relationships between parents and their young children; and, improve the economic self-sufficiency of enrolled mothers. The staff welcomes opportunities to do presentations regarding services to providers and community organizations. If interested, please call us and a program representative will work with the requester to schedule.

#### **PARENTS EXCHANGE**

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Information, referral and advocacy service for parents of children with chronic illnesses and disabilities. We help families understand the way systems work and how to advocate for their children.

#### **PARENT TO PARENT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

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Parent to Parent of Pennsylvania links families of children and adults with disabilities or special needs on a one-to-one basis according to condition or concerns for purposes of support and information. These include—but are not limited to—physical disabilities, developmental disabilities, behavioral and mental health concerns, special health care needs, foster care or adoption, and educational issues. Additional services can be found at

[www.parenttoparent.org](http://www.parenttoparent.org) or by calling us at our PA toll free number, 1.888.727.2706. All services are free and confidential.

### **PEDIATRIAC HEALTH CARE FOR KIDS, LLC**

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Center-based day health services and home nursing for medically complex and fragile kids.

### **PEDIATRIC SPECIALTY CARE**

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For 20 years, Pediatric Specialty Care has been successfully caring for medically fragile and technology dependent children. Our goal is to enable children with special needs to realize their fullest potential in a nurturing and supportive environment. It is evident to our residents and their families that whether we are helping to transition a child back to their family's home or celebrating a resident's small, yet miraculous achievement, we are deeply committed to their physical, psychological, and spiritual well-being every step of the way. We

offer five locations covering Western, South Central and Eastern Pennsylvania.

Bucks County  
90 Cafferty Road, P.O. Box 217  
Pt. Pleasant, PA 18950  
215.297.5555  
(along with two small group homes in Quakertown and Doylestown)

Lancaster  
120 Rider Avenue  
Lancaster, PA 17603  
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Philadelphia  
3301 Scotts Lane  
Philadelphia, PA 19129  
215.621.6155

Pittsburgh  
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Aliquippa, PA 15001  
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### **PEGASUS THERAPEUTIC RIDING ACADEMY, INC.**

8297 Bustleton Avenue  
Philadelphia, PA 19152  
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215.742.1515 (fax)  
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Pegasus Riding Academy is a therapeutic horseback riding program for children and adults with physical, developmental, and intellectual disabilities. The facility is located in Northeast Philadelphia and accessible by public transportation. Weekly lessons are provided year round in an indoor arena. Services are provided on a fee-for-service basis. Registration forms and further information are available on the website. All prospective riders are evaluated prior to joining the program in order to determine suitability for the activity.

**PENNSYLVANIA ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY FOUNDATION**

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King of Prussia, PA 19406  
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The Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation is a non-profit organization that provides low-interest loans to people with disabilities and older Pennsylvanians so that they can buy the assistive technology devices and services they need.

Assistive technology is any device that helps a person with a disability achieve a more independent and productive life. Assistive technology includes items like ramps and lowered floors for cars and vans, roll-in showers, lowered kitchen counters, hearing and vision aids, scooters, and computers with special software and/or hardware.

**PENNSYLVANIA COMMUNITY PROVIDERS ASSOCIATION**

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The Pennsylvania Community Providers Association (PCPA) monitors policy development related to Mental Health, Drug and Alcohol, Intellectual Disabilities and Early Intervention services. PCPA provides policy and regulation information as well as consultation to member agencies throughout the Commonwealth.

**PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES**

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Pennsylvania Council of Children, Youth and Family Services (PCCYFS) is an alliance of private, non-profit child welfare agencies. Member agencies provide a comprehensive range of services to children, youth and their families, including in-home prevention services, foster and kinship care, group home and residential treatment services. PCCYFS supports the work of member agencies through advocacy training, and technical assistance.

**PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

**PA Medical Home Program**

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The PA Medical Home Program (also known as EPIC IC) works with primary care pediatric physician practices statewide to develop a system of care for children with special health care needs. The program focuses on identification of children and youth with special health care needs, family centered care, links to community resources, and care coordination.

**PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE**

**Office of Medical Assistance Programs, Special Needs Division**

OMAP/BMCO, DGS Complex  
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P.O. 2675  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-2675

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Responsible for monitoring the mandatory managed care contractors' Special Needs Units and for program development and planning for Medical Assistance recipients with special needs. This division is also responsible for identifying and coordinating with federal, state, local and private entities, pertinent to the delivery of services to special populations.

**PENNSYLVANIA ENROLLMENT SERVICES PROGRAM HEALTHCHOICES**

Enrollment services for Medicaid consumers.  
1.800.440.3989  
Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
[www.enrollnow.net](http://www.enrollnow.net)

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**PENNSYLVANIA HEALTH LAW PROJECT**

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The Pennsylvania Health Law Project is a non-profit, public interest law firm that provides free legal services to lower-income individuals who are having trouble accessing healthcare coverage or services through publicly funded healthcare programs. PHLP offers advice and direct representation to individuals, provides educational materials and training to advocates and consumer groups, and conducts systemic

advocacy on behalf of consumers at the state level.

**PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF**

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The Pennsylvania School for the Deaf is an Approved Private School that provides educational programming for Deaf and Hard of Hearing children, ages 3 through high school. In addition, the *First Conversations* Program provides Early Intervention services to families with Deaf/Hard of Hearing children, ages birth to 3. Outreach services are also provided to Deaf/Hard of Hearing children attending other programs.

**PHILADELPHIA COORDINATED HEALTH CARE (PCHC)**

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Philadelphia Coordinated Health Care (PCHC) is the Southeast Region PA Health Care Quality Unit (HCQU) and a core program of PMHCC. Funding

is provided by the Philadelphia Department of Behavioral Health/Intellectual disAbility Services, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery counties Offices of Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities and the Office of Developmental Programs, Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare.

The mission is to enhance access to community physical and mental health care through education, public health outreach, advocacy and empowerment as well as to improve health care outcomes for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). PCHC provides training, technical assistance, community outreach, advocacy and clinical reviews to support the health care needs (both physical and behavioral) for individuals with IDD living in the SE PA region.

**PHILADELPHIA DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND INTELLECTUAL disABILITIES SERVICES (DBH/IDS)**

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Infant/Toddler Early Intervention (E.I.) provides developmental services to children from 0 -3 who may have developmental delays or who have special needs. Services and supports are family-focused, integrated into typical family routines and activities, and provided in the family's home or community. These services are provided free of charge to all eligible children. A Registration Coordinator will assist all callers to begin the E.I. process for developmental evaluation and services.

Philadelphia DBH/IDS contracts with PHMC/ChildLink to arrange the E.I. evaluations and coordinate E.I. services.

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**PHILADELPHIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

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The Department of Human Services (DHS) is charged with the public mandate to provide child welfare and juvenile justice services, responsible for providing services directed toward ensuring the safety of children and youth; preserving families and ensuring the achievement of permanent, secure and nurturing homes for all children and youth; the prevention of juvenile delinquency; and strengthening the capacities of families and communities to assume responsibility for their children.

**Children Youth Division (CYD)  
Health Management Unit**  
215.683.6263 (hotline)

Helen Cohen, Supervisor  
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The Health Management Unit (HMU) is responsible for addressing the healthcare needs of children placed in substitute care through CYD. Children in substitute care are a medically vulnerable group. HMU is dedicated to ensuring the managed care system functions in a way that supports the special needs of children in care.

**PHILADELPHIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

**Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP)**

2100 W. Girard Avenue, Bldg. 3  
Philadelphia., PA 19130-1400

Monica Crippen, Nurse  
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CLPPP specializes in indoor, home environmental health issues: deteriorating lead paint, mold and mildew, integrated pest management, radon, injury control, and fire safety, among others. It offers a wide range of programs: primary prevention of lead poisoning (Lead Safe Babies and Lead Safe Communities); healthy homes programs for home-based child care and foster parents; injury control assessments; bike helmets and baby car seats; and educational programs in all these areas.

**Division of Maternal, Child and Family Health (MCFH)**

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The mission of MCFH is to provide high-quality health and supportive social services by setting and developing policy and programs that improve the health of women, youth, and parenting families. The division contracts with hospitals, social service and other community-based organizations that provide a full range of maternal and child health programs.

**The Philadelphia Special Needs Consortium** is facilitated and run by MCFH.

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**PHILADELPHIA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**School Health Coordinator  
Office of Specialized Services**

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The School District of Philadelphia provides a free, appropriate, public education for all children. The school health coordinator supports the Certified School Nurses in providing care to children, communicating with families, and collaborating with health care providers and agencies. The School District has trained personnel to implement the comprehensive process to promote a smooth transition of children with Special Health Care Needs into the school system.

### **PILCOP**

(Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia)  
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Philadelphia, PA 19103  
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Since 1969, the Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia has been the law firm to which individuals and organizations turn to address local and national policies that perpetuate discrimination, inequality and poverty. We were founded as one of the original Lawyers Committees for Civil Rights Under Law in the midst of the civil rights movement. Our attorneys and staff use high-impact legal strategies – including class action lawsuits, policy advocacy, community organizing, and education – to secure significant, long-lasting change for our clients. Our clients are people with disabilities, racial and ethnic minorities, low-income individuals and communities, formerly incarcerated people, and the advocacy organizations that represent them.

Clients with disabilities are encouraged to complete our online questionnaire and/or call or email for assistance. We help individuals with all types of disabilities, including autism, physical disabilities, learning disabilities, mental health concerns, etc. We work with the local bar to access pro bono assistance.

### **PSA HEALTHCARE**

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### **Media Office**

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PSA Healthcare provides in-home nursing and caregiver services to medically fragile children and adults throughout the Greater Philadelphia area. At PSA Healthcare, we believe patients are best cared for in a nurturing environment and are passionate about providing the highest quality care to our patients in the comfort of their home.

### **PUBLIC CITIZENS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH (PCCY)**

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PCCY is the region's leading children's advocacy and policy organization that works on a spectrum of issues including health, childcare, public education, juvenile justice, and child welfare.

### **PUBLIC HEALTH MANAGEMENT CORPORATION (PHMC)**

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Philadelphia, PA 19102  
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### **ChildLink**

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ChildLink is the Service Coordination program for the Philadelphia Early Intervention (EI) system for children from birth to age three. Families and professionals work with ChildLink when a child needs early intervention services because of a developmental delay or a disability. As part of service coordination, ChildLink Coordinators meet with the family and arrange for developmental screening/evaluation to determine if/where there may be areas of delay. For those infants/toddlers whose delay or disability makes them eligible for early intervention, ChildLink arranges for, and coordinates, the child's E.I. supports and services.

**Health Promotion Council**  
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**Health Intervention Program (HIP)**  
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Health Promotion Council's (HPC) HIP program serves families with a child with special health care needs from ages birth to 21 years. Services are provided by a multidisciplinary team and include home-based case management, health and parenting education, and assistance in obtaining medical, social and educational services. HPC is an affiliate of PHMC.

**PersonLink**  
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PersonLink provides supports coordination to consumers and their families who qualify for services through Philadelphia Intellectual Disabilities Services (IDS). PersonLink will help support individuals and their families to obtain

resources and services in neighborhoods throughout Philadelphia.

**RESCARE HOMECARE PA**

Linda Earnshaw, Executive Director

**Spring House Branch** - Intermittent and Private Duty Skilled and Non Skilled services for pediatric and adult clients.  
215.643.1200  
215.540.0756 (fax)

**Bensalem Branch** - Storkwatch Services  
215.638.1454  
215.638.1731 (fax)

**Media Branch** - Intermittent and Private Duty Skilled and Non Skilled services for pediatric and adult clients.  
610.891.5530  
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ResCare Homecare PA is a full service home care company providing pediatric and adult home care services to clients throughout Southeastern PA. We are Medicare Licensed and Joint Commission Accredited. We have been providing quality services to our clients in this area for over 25 years.

**SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN—PHILA.**

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Shriners Hospitals for Children-Philadelphia offers a complete range of medical and rehabilitative services to children (0-18 years) who have orthopedic disorders and spinal cord injuries. They serve children with conditions such as cerebral palsy, spinal cord injuries, upper- and lower-extremity orthotic and prosthetic training, leg lengthening, arthritis, spina bifida, and scoliosis. There are 22 Shriners Hospitals in the United States that specialize in the treatment

of orthopedic, burn, and spinal cord injury care. All Shriners Hospitals provide services at no cost to parent or child.

**SNI HOME CARE INC.**

880 Town Center Drive  
Langhorne, PA 19047

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SNI provides pediatric and maternal-child home care services including intermittent skilled visits (nursing, rehab therapies) and continuous care (private duty) nursing.

**SPECIAL KIDS NETWORK**

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The Special Kids Network (SKN), in partnership with the PA ELKS Home Service Program, helps children and youth with special health care needs by helping their families get the services and support these young people require in order to thrive in the community and develop to their full potential. If your child has a physical, developmental, behavioral or emotional need, call or visit our website. There is no charge for any SKN service.

**S. CHRISTOPHER'S HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN**

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Philadelphia, PA 19134-1095

**The Center for the Urban Child**

3645 North Front Street (opening 10/14)  
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The Center for Children with Special Health Care Needs works together with families of children with special health care needs to provide ongoing comprehensive family-centered medical care and to improve access to services, community resources, and advocacy to assure these children obtain optimal support through life stages and promote their independence.

**SUPPORT CENTER FOR CHILD ADVOCATES**

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The Support Center for Child Advocates provides legal assistance and social service advocacy to abused and neglected children in Philadelphia County. Through the Volunteer Attorneys for Medically Needy Children Program, they help children with special needs that are in the Dependent Court System. They work with multiple systems to insure the provision of appropriate services so children can remain at home or in the most home-like setting.

### **TABOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

55 East Armat Street  
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Tabor Services provides temporary foster families for children found by the courts to be at imminent risk of harm and placed in the child welfare system. It provides medical foster care for children with special needs and mental health foster care in specially trained foster homes for children with mental health diagnoses. It also provides services to children in their own homes (SCOH), supported living services, supervised independent living for dependent adolescents, and an outpatient mental health clinic. Tabor Children's House child development center operates a year-round program on its Doylestown campus for children ages six weeks through school age.

### **THERAPY SOLUTIONS CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

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Therapy Solutions Children's Services, Inc., is a nonprofit organization located in Southwest Philadelphia. Our mission is to "provide quality therapeutic and educational services to create change and improve academic and life successes while empowering individuals to learn and accomplish independence." We provide comprehensive developmental and rehabilitative services including: speech therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, and special instruction services. We hold a reverse inclusion summer camp that provides children with special needs the chance to receive services and grow with one another. We give back to the community in a number of ways, including our holiday fundraiser and long-sleeve shirt program.

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### **UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY (UCP) OF PHILADELPHIA AND VICINITY**

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United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Philadelphia (UCPA) serves people of all ages who have a physical, sensorial, and/or learning disability such as cerebral palsy, spina bifida, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, spinal cord injury, visual or hearing impairment, intellectual disabilities, or traumatic brain injury. Children's services include Early Intervention for children, 0-5, in Philadelphia and Montgomery counties, a parent support group, sibling support group, and childcare. UCP also partners with the Philadelphia School District to provide Pre-K Counts. UCP also provides social services, information and referral, and advocacy.

**UNITED HEALTH CARE COMMUNITY PLAN OF PENNSYLVANIA** (formerly Americhoice)

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The UHC Personal Care model emphasizes direct contact with members. We seek to involve not only the member and members of his or her family but other departments of the health plan and community-based organizations. We have an interdisciplinary team of nurses, social workers, psychologists, respiratory specialists, and health educators and a disease management program for members with asthma, diabetes, hypertension, sickle cell disease, and HIV/AIDS. Our Special Needs Hotline is 877.844.8844 and is staffed from 8:30 – 5:00, Monday – Friday.

**VENTILATOR ASSISTED CHILDREN'S HOME PROGRAM**

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VACHP is a statewide Pennsylvania Department of Health program that coordinates the care of children ages 6 months-22 years at home on ventilators.

**VISION FOR EQUALITY HEALTH CARE ADVOCACY**

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Vision for EQuality is a unique organization born out of a collective desire for systems change. We define our roles as advocates, monitors and trainers for people with Intellectual disabilities, Autism and their families reaching into all communities to strive for full inclusion for everyone. Vision for EQuality promotes quality and equality in the system and one community for all. Our mission is to assist and empower people with disabilities and their families to seek quality and satisfaction in their lives. Our work includes Advocay, the PA Waiting List Campaign, Latino Services, the Philadelphia Parent Support Groups, The PA Training Partnership for People with Disabilities and Families, Independent Monitoring for Quality (IM4Q), Consumer Family Satisfaction Teams (CFST) and supporting Self-Advocates United As 1 (SAU1).

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Since 1986 VNG has provided home healthcare services for special needs technology-dependent children and young adults, and is one of the largest, most experienced agencies in the Philadelphia region. Our skilled pediatric healthcare professionals include RNs, LPNs, home health aides, and certified nursing assistants. Services are performed in the home or school and include management of the following: tracheostomy, ventilator programs, gastric tube programs, cerebral palsy, seizure disorders, intellectual disabilities, and congenital anomalies.

**WIDENER MEMORIAL SCHOOL**

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The Widener Memorial School is a Special Education Center School for students in age-appropriate grades kindergarten through twelve plus. Individualized programs provide superior instruction for pupils with various physical and mental disabilities. Students come from all geographic regions within Philadelphia and some suburban districts, and from a broad range of socio-economic backgrounds. The students represent a wide range of cognitive and physical abilities.

