

Medicaid Waivers/Programs for Adults with Autism in Pennsylvania:

What Services are Offered?

Are you looking for more information about the home and community based services offered in the Medicaid-funded programs for adults with autism in Pennsylvania? Learn about the program options and services below!

Important Note: There is a waiting list to receive the Medicaid waivers/programs in Pennsylvania. Individuals must be enrolled in one of the waivers/programs listed below to get these services. Some services may need approval before program participants can get them. The services that program participants get are based on their individual needs and must be approved and authorized in their plans. Also, the availability of providers by service may be different by county. Check the program provider directories to learn more.

Bureau of Supports for Autism & Special Populations (BSASP) Programs

Adult Community Autism Program (ACAP):

The Adult Community Autism Program (ACAP) is a managed care program for individuals over the age of 21 available in four counties in Pennsylvania (Chester, Cumberland, Dauphin, and Lancaster). Managed care means that ACAP pays for physical health services and home and community-based services. Participants in ACAP can get the following services:

- All Physician Services
- Assistive technology
- Career Planning
- Community Support
- Community Transition Services
- Day Habilitation
- Family Support

- Homemaker/chore services
- Medical supplies and durable medical equipment
- Non-medical transportation
- Personal assistance services
- Physical, occupational, vision and mobility, and speech therapies (group and individual)
- Residential Habilitation
- Respite
- Specialized Skill Development
- Supported employment
- Supports coordination

There is no maximum amount (also known as a cap) of services that a participant can get in ACAP.

Adult Autism Waiver (AAW):

The Adult Autism Waiver (AAW) is a Medicaid waiver that is available statewide in Pennsylvania for individuals over the age of 21. Participants in AAW can get the following services:

- Assistive Technology
- Career Planning
 - Job Finding
 - Vocational Assessment
- Community Transition Services
- Day Habilitation
- Family Support
- Home Modifications
- Nutritional Consultation

- Residential Habilitation
- Respite
- Specialized Skill Development
 - Community Support
 - Systematic Skill Building
 - Behavioral Specialist Services
- Supported Employment
 - Extended Employment Supports
 - Intensive Job Coaching

- Therapies (Speech, Language, and Counseling)
- Small group employment
- Vehicle Modification
- Transportation

There is no maximum amount (also known as a cap) of services that a participant can get in AAW.



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Bureau of Community Supports (BCS) Programs

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

The Person/Family Directed Support (P/FDS) Waiver is a Medicaid waiver that is available statewide in Pennsylvania. Participants in the P/FDS Waiver can get the following services:

- Advanced Supported Employment
- Assistive Technology
- Behavioral Support
- Benefits Counseling
- Communication Specialist
- Community Participation Support
- Companion
- Consultative Nutritional Services
- Education Support
- Family/Caregiver Training and Support

- Home Accessibility Adaptations
- Homemaker/Chore
- Housing Transition and Tenancy Sustaining Services
- In-Home and Community Support
- Music, Art, and Equine Assisted Therapy
- Participant-Directed Goods and Services
- Respite
- Shift Nursing

- Small Group Employment
- Specialized Supplies
- Supported Employment
- Supports Broker
- Supports Coordination
- Therapy
 - Physical
 - Occupational
 - Speech/Language
 - Orientation, Mobility and Vision
- Transportation
- Vehicle Accessibility Adaptations

There is a \$33,000 cost limit per participant per year in the P/F DS Waiver for services. This does not limit Supports Coordination and Supports Broker Services. Participants can go over the cost limit by \$15,000 for Advanced Supported Employment or Supported Employment services.

Community Living Waiver:

The Community Living Waiver is a Medicaid waiver that is available statewide in Pennsylvania. Participants in the Community Living Waiver can get the following services:

- Advanced Supported Employment
- Assistive Technology
- Benefits Counseling
- Communication Specialist

Behavioral Support

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- Community Participation Support
- Companion
- Consultative Nutritional Services
- Education Support
- Family/Caregiver Training and Support
- Home Accessibility Adaptations

- Homemaker/Chore
- Housing Transition and Tenancy Sustaining Services
- In-Home and Community Support
- Music, Art, and Equine Assisted Therapy
- Life Sharing*
- Participant-Directed Goods and Services
- Respite
- Shift Nursing
- Small Group Employment

- Specialized Supplies
- Supported Employment
- Supported Living*
- Supports Broker
- Supports Coordination
- Therapy
 - Physical
 - Occupational
 - Speech/Language
 - Orientation, Mobility and Vision
- Transportation
- Vehicle Accessibility Adaptations

There is a \$70,000 cost limit per participant per year in the Community Living Waiver for services. This does not limit Supports Coordination and Supports Broker services.

*Available for participants who need less than 30 hours per week of services.



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Bureau of Community Supports (BCS) Programs (continued)

Consolidated Waiver:

The Consolidated Waiver is a Medicaid waiver that is available statewide in Pennsylvania. Participants in the Consolidated Waiver can get the following services:

- Advanced Supported Employment
- Assistive Technology
- Behavioral Support
- Benefits Counseling
- Communication Specialist
- Community Participation Support
- Companion
- Consultative Nutritional Services
- Education Support
- Family/Caregiver Training and Support
- Home Accessibility Adaptations

- Homemaker/Chore
- Housing Transition and Tenancy Sustaining Services
- In-Home and Community Support
- (Licensed and Unlicensed)
 Life Sharing
- Music, Art and Equine Assisted Therapy
- (Licensed and Unlicensed)
 Residential Habilitation
- Respite
- Shift Nursing
- Small Group Employment

- Specialized Supplies
- Supported Employment
- Supported Living
- Supports Broker
- Supports Coordination
- Therapy
 - Physical
 - Speech/Language
 - Occupational
 - Orientation, Mobility and Vision
- Transportation
- Vehicle Accessibility Adaptations



FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SERVICES OFFERED IN THE MEDICAID WAIVER/PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS WITH AUTISM IN PENNSYLVANIA, VISIT THE PENNSYLVANIA OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAMS WEBSITE: WWW.MYODP.ORG.

