



# 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:

- Physical and Behavioral Health Services
- Assistive Technology
- Career Planning
  - Job Finding
  - Vocational Assessment
- Community Transition Services
- Day Habilitation
- Family Support
- Home Modifications
- Homemaker/Chore
- Medical Supplies and Durable Medical Equipment
- Non-Medical Transportation
- Nutritional Consultation
- Personal Assistance Services
- Residential Habilitation
- Respite
- Small Group Employment
- Specialized Skill Development
  - Behavioral Support
  - Community Support
  - Systematic Skill Building
- Supports Coordination
- Supported Employment
- Therapies (*Counseling (group and individual) Occupational, Physical/Mobility, Speech/Language and Vision therapies*)
- Vehicle Modifications

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 age 21 or older. 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
- Remote Supports
- Residential Habilitation
- Respite
- Small Group Employment
- Specialized Skill Development
  - Behavioral Specialist Services
  - Community Support
  - Systematic Skill Building
- Supported Employment
  - Extended Employment Supports
  - Intensive Job Coaching
- Supports Coordination
- Temporary Supplemental Services
- Therapies (*Counseling, Speech/Language*)
- Transportation
- Vehicle Modifications

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
- Remote Supports
- 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 \$41,000 cost limit per participant per year in the P/FDS Waiver for services. Supports Coordination and Supports Broker are excluded from the cost limit. 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
- 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
- Life Sharing\*
- Participant-Directed Goods and Services
- Remote Supports
- 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 \$85,000 cost limit per participant per year in the Community Living Waiver for services. Supports Coordination is excluded from the cost limit.

*\*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
- Remote Supports
- Respite
- Shift Nursing
- Small Group Employment
- Specialized Supplies
- Supported Employment
- Supported Living
- Supports Broker
- Supports Coordination
- Therapy
  - Physical
  - Speech/Language
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**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SERVICES OFFERED IN THE  
MEDICAID WAIVER/PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS WITH AUTISM IN PENNSYLVANIA,  
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[WWW.MYODP.ORG](http://WWW.MYODP.ORG).**



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