

**If you need help getting health insurance or services, call the Pennsylvania Health Law Project:  
1-800-274-3258/  
TTY: 1-866-236-6310 .**

Examples of Problems with which PHLP can help:

- You need health coverage and have problems applying for Medical Assistance (MA), the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), or Adult Basic Coverage (ABC).
- Your health plan has denied, reduced or terminated a needed service or equipment.
- There are no health care providers in your health plan who can meet your needs.
- You have Medicare and MA, but coordination of the two is a nightmare.
- You can't get transportation to a MA provider.
- You want to stay out of a nursing home, but there don't seem to be any alternatives.
- You can't pay for prescription medications.
- You can't get drug or alcohol services for your child.

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Check out our Web Site:  
[www.phlp.org](http://www.phlp.org)



**The Pennsylvania  
Health Law Project**

The Pennsylvania Health Law Project (PHLP) is a statewide center of legal expertise and advocacy devoted to helping low income, elderly, and Pennsylvanians with disabilities gain access to quality health care. PHLP is a private, nonprofit corporation with offices in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Harrisburg. PHLP's services are free to qualified individuals. Call our statewide, toll-free helpline: 1-800-274-3258/ TTY 1-866-236-6310 or email us at [staff@phlp.org](mailto:staff@phlp.org). Visit our website: [www.phlp.org](http://www.phlp.org).

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**PHLP's Helpline:  
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PHLP's eight attorneys, three paralegals, physician and social worker help thousands of people from all over Pennsylvania, each year. Consumers call us when they are trying to qualify for Medical Assistance, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) or other health care programs. They seek our help when an insurer turns down a prescription from their doctor, or refuses to pay for medical equipment, therapy, or other services. They come to us when the state denies a request for home and community based waiver services, and says that instead, your loved one must go into a nursing home. They turn to us when they don't like the quality of care they are getting. PHLP staff answer questions, provide advice, negotiate agreements, and represent clients at administrative hearings and in court.

**Legal Counsel to Persons Seeking Quality Health Care**

PHLP represents clients at administrative hearings, in the courts, before regulatory agencies, and at legislative hearings. Our staff brings class actions on matters of broad impact to consumers. PHLP limits its practice to civil health law issues. We do not assist persons in criminal cases.

**Community Education.**

PHLP maintains a comprehensive web site: [www.phlp.org](http://www.phlp.org). We issue a general newsletter, "PA Health Law News" six times a year, and a specialized newsletter, "Senior Health News," for older consumers. PHLP develops and distributes informational pamphlets and flyers on a host of topics, such as "Getting Medical Assistance for a Child with a Severe Disability" and "What to do When You Disagree With Your HealthChoices Plan." PHLP also produces in-depth research papers on important topics, such as the MA Transportation Program, or Enforcing the Quality of Personal Care Homes in Pennsylvania. We conduct training sessions and seminars for client groups. We also operate an interactive website for individuals wondering if they qualify for publicly funded health insurance. **Call our helpline at 1-800-274-3258/ TTY 1-866-236-6310**, to get on our mailing list, to ask about a brochure or pamphlet, or to request training.

**Legal Services Back-Up Center**

PHLP is part of the **Pennsylvania Legal AID Network** (PLAN). When an attorney or paralegal at one of the state's local legal services programs needs help with a case, they call PHLP for information, advice or co-counsel. Often, they refer clients to us for representation.

**PHLP: A Resource to the Disabilities Community**

PHLP monitors all legal and administrative developments affecting the disabilities community, and disseminates important information via newsletters and bulletins to hundreds of disabilities advocacy groups through the state. PHLP also provides advice and direct assistance annually to thousands of Pennsylvanians with developmental disabilities.

**Center for Expertise on Health Coverage for the Poor, Disabled and Elderly**

Legal and health care professionals, the public interest community, and governmental officials at the state and local level regularly turn to PHLP for its expertise. Our staff members teach law, medical and social work students. They conduct seminars for health care and legal practitioners, as well as our colleagues in the public interest community. We brief regulatory and legislative members and committees, at their request, on the rights of their constituents, the obstacles that they face in accessing quality health care, and the best practices in the health care delivery system.