

Enrolling for Medical Assistance:

In Pennsylvania, MA is available to children with disabilities regardless of parental income.

You may apply for MA online, by visiting <https://www.compass.state.pa.us> or in person, by visiting your local County Assistance Office.

You may need the following information to help you complete the application:

1. Household income from jobs, child support, and other income sources
2. Federal tax filing information
3. Social Security Numbers and birth dates of household members
4. Current or recent health insurance information
5. Housing and utility expense information
6. Proof of citizenship and identify if you are a U.S. citizen. Example: Birth Certificate; Driver's License; State ID.
7. Non U.S. Citizens must provide documentation showing lawful residence in the U.S.
8. Resource information, such as bank accounts, vehicles, homes, property, life insurance, etc

If applying in person:

1. Ask for the Application 600P.
2. Write on the top of the application "MA FOR DISABLED CHILD HANDBOOK SECTION 355.4."
3. Apply for supplemental security income, as some counties require a rejection before authorizing MA. You can apply at 1-800-772-1213.
4. If you do not qualify, request that a rejection letter be sent to your home.
5. Once you have received the letter and your MA application is completed, contact your county assistance office again to schedule an intake interview.
6. Be sure to check with the county assistance office regarding required documents for intake interview.

It usually takes 3-4 weeks for eligibility to be determined.

Helpful Links:

PA 600 http://www.dhs.pa.gov/cs/groups/webcontent/documents/form/s_002634.pdf

County assistance office locator

<http://www.dhs.pa.gov/learnaboutdhs/helpfultelephonenumber/countypassanceofficecontactinformation/index.htm>

Compass <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/compass.web/Public/CMPHome>