

PA *inclusive*

**Creating and Supporting
Inclusive & Sustainable Lives
for People with Disabilities**



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MISSION

To help create and support inclusive and sustainable lives for people with disabilities.

VISION

We envision a society where people with disabilities are fully engaged in their communities.

VALUES

Self Determination
Empowerment Respect
Personal Choice Inclusion
Civil Rights

We believe people with disabilities should live where they want, with who they want, and in the way they want, and that they can choose to work in an area of their interest at a job of their choosing in their community. Both work and living support services are customized and delivered to support the individual in the manner they choose.

We accomplish this by serving as a Provider of Services with the PA Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) IDD Waiver program by offering various community-based services through that system. These services include In-Home and Community Supports (IHCS), Companion Services, Community Participation Supports (CPS), Supported Employment, Housing Transition, Tenancy Sustaining Services, Support Brokering, and Benefits Counseling.

We also provide Employment Services to high school students through the PA Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) for PA OVR Pre-Employment Transition Services (PETS) and Supported Employment for adults.

In addition, we have developed various other services designed to help fill in the blanks for youth and adults with disabilities, including our SMART Tech Resource Center, Transitional Academy Social Club, and the Inclusive Rental Assistance Program (IRAP). Our affiliation with Turn To Us Autism Resource Centers and the Spectrum Sensory Gym allows us to offer more services to more people.

Service Model



SERVING

Berks, Bucks, Carbon, Columbia, Lackawanna, Lehigh, Luzerne, Monroe, Montgomery, Northampton, Northumberland, Pike, Pottsville, Schuylkill, Wayne, and Wyoming Counties.

For High School Students

Transitional Employment services are offered directly with school districts by contractual agreements and as a vendor with the PA Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) to provide employment-development services for high school students. Our services are blended as a strategy pointing towards the vocation of the individual's choice upon graduation.

PA Inclusive works directly with School Districts to provide One-on-One Transition Employment Services to students in high school. PA Inclusive uses a person-centered approach to employment where we can personalize and accommodate each student's employment needs and wants.

Services Include

Paid Work Experiences (PWE)	Self-Advocacy
Community Work Instruction & Experiences	Independent Living Skills
Job Shadowing	Workplace Readiness Training
Discovery Profiles	Resume Building
Customizable Employment	Professional Career Experience
Job Finding and Job Coaching	Professional Connections Foundations
Travel Training	One-on-One Transitional Employment

TRANSITION ACADEMY SOCIAL CLUB

The program is designed to bring high school students and young adults between the ages of 14 - 21 with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities, including Autism and Down Syndrome, together to socialize, make memories, and develop lifelong skills.



Refreshment will be provided, and all students will receive a Course Kit!

Program Goals

- Increase Self-Advocacy ● Promote Independent Living ● Workplace Readiness
- Build Stronger Knowledge and Skills ● Increase Individual's Confidence
- Give a Sense of Belonging Within the Community ● Develop Friendships

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Behavior Supports For People with Disabilities

PA Inclusive Behavior Supports provides behavior support services to adult individuals with disabilities. We strive to create safe and supportive environments where everyone can thrive.

Our team of experienced professionals works closely with individuals, families, and support teams to identify and address challenging behaviors. We use evidence-based interventions and strategies to help individuals achieve their goals and reach their full potential.

Creating Safe and Supportive Environments for Everyone



We believe in a person-centered approach, where the individual is at the center of everything we do. Therefore, our services are tailored to meet each person's unique needs. Look at PA Inclusive Behavior Supports if you're looking for behavior support services in the PA region. Contact us today to learn more.

**PA Inclusive Behavior Supports
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Contact Jessica Strackbein at 570-390-9573 or jstrackbein@painclusive.com

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR ADULTS

PA Inclusive helps individuals learn the skills they need to work at their chosen job and helps in the job-seeking process, orientation, early-stage intensive job coaching, and ongoing job coaching support. We offer Discovery Customized Employment and Competitive, Integrated, and Customizable employment services, where the pay rate is always at least the minimum wage and oftentimes the same as someone else doing the same job.

It is our goal that the individual finds the right position. In some cases, we recommend an Employment Profile be performed to develop a baseline for employment and use this profile when beginning job development services.

Our Adult Job Development Services include Job Finding and Job Coaching as a Vendor through the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) and Supported Employment through the ID Waiver system.



Services Include

- Employment Profiles
- Career Assessments
- Job Finding / Coaching
- Ongoing Supported Employment
- Community-Based Work Assessments
- Discovery Profiles
- Customized Employment
- On-the-Job Training
- Benefits Counseling

Benefits Counseling

If you receive Social Security disability benefits (SSDI/SSI) and want to work — chances are you're wondering how that extra income will affect your benefits.



- **Will my monthly benefit change?**
- **Will my benefit immediately stop?**
- **Will I lose my Medicare or Medicaid?**

Benefits Counseling will explain how earnings from work could affect your SSI/SSDI benefits and help put your mind at ease!

Contact us at 570-947-6372 to see if Benefits Counseling can help you.

PA Inclusive is a Vendor for the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) for adult services, including Community Based Work Assessments and Job Finding contracts (called Performance Based Job Coaching), and also for the Pre-Employment Training Services (PETS) program for High School Students starting at age 14. Contact OVR to inquire about PA Inclusive helping you in these areas, or call our office at 570-947-6372

LIVE *inclusive*

DAY AND SUPPORTED LIVING SERVICES

Where someone lives is a very personal choice. Our interest lies in helping support the person to live where and with whom they want, and with the support they need to remain inclusive in their community. We offer a variety of day and supported living services, such as Companion Services, In-Home and Community Habilitation, and Respite — all designed to help the person achieve their goals and the social life they choose.

We also believe inclusive living requires long-range planning. That's why transitioning from living with family to a Supported Living arrangement takes time. We want to be there every step to ensure that the individual is always supported in the chosen living arrangement.

Supported living can include living in their own home or apartment with or without a roommate or living with family. These services work on independent living skills, socialization, natural supports, and concierge services such as attending appointments.

Services Include:

- In-Home & Community Supports (IHCS)
- Companion Services
- Community Participation Supports (CPS)
- Supported Employment (SE)
- Deaf Services with ASL
- Day Services
- Behavior Supports
- Benefits Counseling
- Housing Transition & Tenancy Sustaining Services (HTSS)
- Support Brokering for Self-Directing
- Social Activities

Adult IDD Friendship Club:

The Adult IDD Friendship Club brings adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities together in a welcoming, supportive environment to build meaningful connections and community. Through social events, group activities, and shared experiences, participants develop friendships, strengthen communication skills, and gain confidence.

The program creates a consistent space to connect, have fun, and feel a true sense of belonging.

PA Inclusive is a Provider of Services with the PA Office of Developmental Services for the Intellectual and Developmental Disability (IDD) Waiver program. Contact your local county office of disabilities to inquire how we can work with you to live a truly inclusive life or call our offices at (570) 947 - 6372.

"PA Inclusive takes me to a lot of places and helps me. I went to my aunt's house, and I was glad to see her it would be really hard to visit my aunt without you. I am happy I have someone to help me go to the bank, shop, and for walks. Hang help in the community has made life better."

- Susan

HOUSING *inclusive*

Housing Transition & Tenancy Sustaining Services:

Finding An Apartment: We help the people we support in the search for the right apartment in the right location.

Applying For It: We help with the application process.

Finding Supports: We help people who live independently find the supports they need to live safely and inclusively.

Maintaining: We will help with the day-to-day tasks of upkeep in a new apartment.

"Inclusion works to the advantage of everyone. We all have things to learn, and we all have something to teach."

- *Helen Henderson*



Visit One of our Inclusion Centers to learn more:

Allentown Inclusion Center

961 Marcon Boulevard, Suite 110, Allentown, PA 18109

Schuykill County Regional Office, Pottsville CollegeTown Alverna University

500 Progress Avenue, Pottsville, PA 17961

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