COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

MAIL-IN APPLICATION FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES

Medical Assistance for Workers with Disabilities offers health care coverage for individuals with disabilities who are employed. There are two groups of coverage: Worker with a Disability, and Worker with a Medically Improved Disability. If you apply and are determined eligible for the program, you must pay a monthly premium in order to receive the health care coverage.

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Cool est une demande pour des avantages sociaux. SI vous avez besoin d'un interprété ou d'aide pour compléter le demande, contactez le buresu local de l'Assistance Sociale de votre comté, 이 서류는 연금 신청서입니다. 통역이 필요하시거나 신청서 작성에 도움이 필요하신 분들은 가까운 관활 카운티 사무실 에 연락하시기 바랍니다.

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Central MA Processing unit
Philadelphia County Assistance Office
8:01 Market St., 5th Floor
Philadelphia, Pr. 19107

Fax (215) 560-2417

HOW DO I QUALIFY?

- 1. You must be at least 16 years of age but less than 65 years of age.
- 2. Your countable resources such as bank accounts, stocks, and bonds cannot exceed \$10,000. Phone (215) 560-3420
- 3. Your countable income, after allowable deductions, must be less than 250% of the Federal Poverty Income Guideline.
- 4. You must meet the definition of a disability according to the Social Security Administration.
 - To meet the definition of a disability, you must meet one of the following:
 - · You must be currently receiving SSDI
 - You must have received SSI/SSDI within the past 12 months
 - You must be determined disabled by Departmental Review. You must submit documentation of your disability from your medical provider.
- 5. You must also be employed and receiving compensation to receive coverage as a Worker with a Disability.
- To be covered as a Worker with a Medically Improved Disability, you must also meet the following criteria:
 - · You were previously covered as a Worker with a Disability; and
 - You have a medically improved condition; and
 - You are working at least 40 hours per month, at minimum wage or higher

HOW DO I APPLY?

- 1. Complete the enclosed application. (If you need help to answer the questions, call the Helpline at 1-800-842-2020 or TDD 1-800-451-5886 for the hearing impaired.)
- Attach proof of your income, impairment-related work expenses, resources, social security number, address, and identification.
- 3. Read the "Rights and Responsibilities" section and sign the application.
- 4. Mail the application to your County Assistance Office. A staff member from the County Assistance Office will contact you if additional information is needed. They will decide if you are eligible for Medicald benefits, and will inform you of the decision.

If you need cash assistance or food stamps, you must complete a different application. Please call your County Assistance Office and they will send you the proper form.

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STEP #2 - ATTACH PROOF

We will need proof of the information you have provided to process your application. Examples of proof are listed below. You are not limited to these examples.

PLEASE SEND COPIES - NOT ORIGINALS

Address (One Source) Rent Receipt, Utility Bill, Drivers License (with current address), Mortgage

Bill or Receipt, Post Office Records, Tax Records, etc.

Identification Drivers License, Passport, Photo ID

Social Security Number Social Security Card

Income One Month's Current Pay Stubs, Award Letters for Social Security or SSI,

Proof of Pension, Financial Eligibility Notice for Unemployment Compensation, Tax Forms or other Records of Self-employment Income,

Copies of Check Stubs or Statements form the Source of Income

Expenses Bills/Receipts from Impairment - related work expenses, and other

expenses related to receiving income

Resources Bank Statements, Insurance Policies, Tax Assessment Notices

Disability Medical Documentation

If you are unable to obtain proof of the information you have provided, the County Assistance Office will help you. Please attach a note explaining why you are unable to provide the proof.

STEP #3

Read the "Rights and Responsibilities" section and sign and date your application.

OTHER INFORMATION

GOOD CAUSE/IF YOU CANNOT PAY YOUR PREMIUM

Good cause for not paying the premium can be granted for reasons such as an ongoing health problem, loss of employment, layoff from employment, discrimination, or other factors beyond your control. You must also intend to return to the former position or be making a bona fide effort to seek other employment. When good cause is considered, your premium will be waived for the good cause period.

PRE-EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITION EXCLUSION

Federal law limits when health coverage may be denied or limited for a pre-existing condition. If you enroll in a group or individual health plan that has a pre-existing condition exclusion, you can get credit for the time you received Medicaid. You may request a certification to verify your Medicaid coverage. To request this certificate, contact your caseworker.

CLIENT RIGHTS

RIGHT TO NON-DISCRIMINATION

We may not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, race, color, ancestry, disability, religious creed, national origin, sexual preference, life-style, union membership, political belief, or because you applied for and/or received assistance before. If you feel discriminated against by the Department or anyone providing services for the Department, you may file a verbal or written complaint with the Department or the county assistance office which will forward the complaint to the appropriate federal or state agency.

RIGHT TO CONFIDENTIALITY

We keep information you give confidential and use it only to administer the programs you apply for and/or may be eligible for.

RIGHT TO CERTIFICATE OF CREDITABLE COVERAGE

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RIGHT TO APPEAL

You have a right to ask for a Departmental hearing to appeal a decision of or a failure to act by the Department which affects your benefits or that you feel is unfair or incorrect. You may file the appeal at the County Assistance Office. At the appeal hearing, you may represent yourself or someone else, such as a lawyer, friend or relative, may represent you. You may have an agency conference before the hearing.

RIGHT TO A WRITTEN NOTICE

We will give you a written notice explaining your benefits. If we deny, change, suspend, or stop benefits, we will explain the reason on the notice. You have 30 days from the date of the notice to ask for a hearing if you disagree with the action taken and/or the reasons given.

CLIENT RESPONSIBILITIES

RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS

You must provide a Social Security Number (SSN) for each person for whom you are applying. If you do not have an SSN, we will help you apply for one, Refusal or failure to provide an SSN may result in disqualification. We will also ask you to supply an SSN to verify identity and administer our programs. We will use your SSN to prevent duplication in state and federal programs and to get information about income to determine eligibility for benefits.

RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE INFORMATION

You must give true, correct, and complete information. You must cooperate to document or prove the information you give. If you cannot provide proof, you should ask the County Assistance Office to help.

RESPONSIBILITY TO REPORT CHANGES

You must report changes within 7 days. You must report changes in the number of people in your household, address, income or resources. You must report any new employment or change in employment. You must report any plans to leave the state. If you are not sure if you must report a change, you should report the change. You can report to a County Assistance Office staff person by telephone or by mail.

RESPONSIBILITY TO PAY MONTHLY PREMIUM

You are responsible for the payment of your monthly premium. If you do not pay your premium timely, you may lose your health care coverage.

RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTACT PROVIDERS FOR REFUNDS

If you pay for any medical bills between the date of application and the determination of your eligibility, you are responsible for contacting the provider for a refund.

WHEN I SIGN THIS FORM I AGREE THAT:

- I have read this application in full or someone has read it to me and I understand the questions asked.
- I received a copy of my rights and responsibilities, have read them or someone has read them to me, and I understand them.
- I will provide or cooperate in getting any information needed to prove my statements.
- I must report any changes in my circumstances within 7 days.
- I am responsible for any fraudulent statements made on this application even if the application is submitted by someone acting on my behalf.
- I certify that, subject to penalties provided by law, the information I gave is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge.

WHEN I SIGN THIS FORM I UNDERSTAND THAT:

- If I do not report changes as required, my benefits may be reduced or stopped. If I purposely fail to give correct information or report changes, I may be fined and/or put in jail.
- The State operates a fraud control program under which local, state, and federal officials may verify the information I have given.
- The State may obtain information about my circumstances from other persons or organizations, including computer matches and Immigration and Naturalization.
- My Social Security Number will be used to obtain information to verify my circumstances and eligibility.

CLIENT OR REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

Signature	Date	Signature		Date
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STEP #4 - MAIL YOUR APPLICATION AND ATTACHED INFORMATION