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## COMPASS

### Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Access to Social Services

<http://www.compass.state.pa.us>

COMPASS offers applications and screening for:

- Cash Assistance
- Free or Reduced Price School Meals
- Energy Assistance (LIHEAP)
- Food Stamp Benefits
- Healthcare Coverage – adult Basic  
- Children’s Health Insurance  
Program (CHIP) - Medicaid
- Home & Community- Based  
Services
- Long Term Care



### What is COMPASS?

**COMPASS**---Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Access to Social Services---is a first in the nation service that enables Pennsylvanians to apply for social service programs online!

**COMPASS** serves as a single access point for a wide variety of programs including healthcare coverage, food stamps and cash assistance benefits. By using COMPASS, consumers---and the professionals they work with---can apply at any time during the day or night from a home, library, healthcare clinic, community center . . . any location with Internet access.

**COMPASS** also enables community business partners to assist with online applications. PowerUser is a tool that streamlines the application process. If you are a professional organization that assists Pennsylvanians in need, you might be eligible for Community Partner status that enables you to use PowerUser. For more information, visit the home page and click on “Sign up to be a Community Partner.

**COMPASS** is the product of cooperative efforts by the departments of Public Welfare, Insurance, Health and Aging, along with county governments, medical providers, community-based organizations, advocates and others. It can be reached directly at [www.compass.state.pa.us](http://www.compass.state.pa.us) or through the PA PowerPort---[www.state.pa.us](http://www.state.pa.us). Healthcare professionals, consumers and other important stakeholders have participated throughout the implementation and now provide helpful feedback.

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