2025-26 APPLICATION FOR THE LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP)

To apply for Energy Assistance, you must complete all questions front and back and sign at the red "X".
YOU CAN ALSO APPLY ONLINE AT www.dhs.pa.gov/COMPASS or find your local county assistance office address at WWW.DHS.PA.GOV

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	YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS Your county assistance office address	DHS USE ONLY CRISIS CASH							
	If you need help with these instructions, contact your local county assistance office.	Application Registration Number							
1	Please complete this section for the head of household. *Use the codes from page 2 to help provide the details.	County							
Name ((Include Last, First Middle Initial) Date of Birth Sex Social Security Number	District							
Home A	Address (Include Street, Apt. Number, City, State & ZIP Code+4)	Record Number							
Mailing	Address if different (Include Street, Apt. Number, City, State & ZIP Code+4)	Worker I.D.							
County	You Live In Phone Number: Citizenship* Race (Optional)* Ethnicity (Optional)* Marital Status*								
If you	u are currently receiving Cash, Medical Assistance, or SNAP benefits, may we use the income you have on file?	Rejected Approved							
		Date							
2	What language do you prefer? ¿Qué idioma prefiere usted? ☐ English/Inglés ☐ Spanish/Español ☐ Other/Otro (specify/especifique) Do you need an interpreter? ¿Necesita un intérprete? ☐ Yes/Sí ☐ No If yes, what language? En caso afirmativo, ¿de qué idioma?								
3	Are You:								
	Renting with heat included Renting subsidized housing/Section 8 housing with heat included Renting with heat not included Renting subsidized housing/Section 8 housing with heat not included								
	An unrelated roomer								
If he	eat is included in your rent, attach a note from your landlord stating that heat is included and what type of heat	is used.							
4	What is your main heating source? Choose the type of energy you use most to heat your home. You can benefits for the main energy source or the energy type that powers your main source. Attach a copy of your la								
	Electric Fuel Oil Coal Natural Gas Kerosene Propane or Bottled Gas Blended F	Fuel Wood/Other							
5	Do you need electricity to run your main heating source (secondary heat)? Yes No Check if any of the following apply and provide explanation if needed (LIHEAP Crisis):								
Electricity is shut off Have a shut-off notice for electricity Main heating source is not working									
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	Gas is shut off Have a shut-off notice for gas Explain:								





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6	Who is your utility company or fuel dealer for your main heat source? Write their name and address, and your account information.									
	Name of Utility Company or Fuel						Account Number			
	Address (Include Street, City, Sta	ate & ZIP	Code+4)					Name on A	ccount	
	Please list your electric c	ompan	v if not liste	ed ab	ove			•		
	Name of Electric Company						Acco	unt Number		
							7.000			
8	Do you use any other he	eating :	source in y	our h	ome? Yes	No				
If yes , please explain:										
9	What energy source do you want to receive your LIHEAP payment? (choose one)									
10	If you are in subsidized/public housing, do you receive a utility allowance check? Only check yes if it is paid directly to your household and not to your landlord or utility company. Yes No If yes, how much? \$									
11	Does anyone in your household receive financial assistance for a disability? Yes No If yes, who?									
12	List the people who live with you at this address. Include all children and adults. Include related roomers. Include all unrelated roomers who share household expenses. Do not include anyone in jail/prison. Do not include the household member listed in block 1. See "Did you remember to" on page 4.									
	e codes below to help prov TIZENSHIP*:	(1) U.S	S. Citizen, (2	2) Perr	ndividual in your h manent Resident, (abenefits (All non-	3) Temporar	y Non-C s must p	Citizen, (4) rovide prod	Refugee	e/Asylee, nigration status.)
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	FHNICITY*: (optional) ARITAL STATUS*:				Hispanic or Latino	Marriago	(4) Son	aratod (5)	Divorce	ed, (6) Widow/Widower
IVI	Name	(1) 311	Birthdate	Sex	Social Security	Citizenship*	Race*	Ethnicity*	Marital	Relationship to You
	(Include Last, First, Middle Initial) Person 1		(MM/DD/YY)	M/F	Number	- Политичний политични	(Optional)	(Optional)	Status *	Troiding to rea
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	Name (Include Last, First, Middle Initial)		Birthdate (MM/DD/YY)	Sex M/F	Social Security Number	Citizenship*	Race*	Ethnicity* (Optional)	Marital Status *	Relationship to You
	Person 2									
f this p	this person is currently receiving Cash, Medical Assistance, or SNAP benefits, may we use the income we have on file for this person?									
	Name (Include Last, First, Middle Initial)		Birthdate (MM/DD/YY)	Sex M/F	Social Security Number	Citizenship*	Race* (Optional)	Ethnicity* (Optional)	Marital Status *	Relationship to You
	Person 3									
f this person is currently receiving Cash, Medical Assistance, or SNAP benefits, may we use the income we have on file for this person? Yes No										
	Name (Include Last, First, Middle Initial)		Birthdate (MM/DD/YY)	Sex M/F	Social Security Number	Citizenship*	Race* (Optional)	Ethnicity* (Optional)	Marital Status *	Relationship to You
	Person 4									
f this p	erson is currently receiving Ca	sh, Med	ical Assistand	ce, or S	SNAP benefits, may	we use the in	come w	e have on fi	le for this	s person? Tyes No

If you have additional people in your house, please provide their information on a separate piece of paper and send it along with this application.

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Using income on file for someone? You don't need to list them or their income in question 13.



List all income anyone in your household received in the month prior to the month in which you are applying.

Types/ sources of income include money from: Employment, Veteran's Benefits, Unemployment, Social Security, Support,
Workers Compensation, Interest/Dividends, Rental Income, Gifts, Retirement, and more. See "Did you remember to..." on page 4.

	Workers compensation, interes	biblinacias, rental income,	Onto	, redirefficht, and more.	occ bia	ou reme	inber to on page				
Name	of person with income	Type/source of income		Start Date	Date of First F	Paycheck	How much each month?				
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14	Are you interested in free wea insulation and heating system		eriza	tion services include h	ome	Yes	S No				
Are you or anyone in your household fleeing to avoid prosecution or custody for a crime, or an attempt to commit a crime that would be classified as a felony?											
	If yes, who?										
16	Is anyone in the U.S. Military or has anyone been in the U.S. Military? Yes No Yes										
Is anyone a widow, spouse or child (under age 18) of anyone in the U.S. Military or anyone Yes No has been in the U.S. Military? If yes , who?											
17	Do you want DHS to share inf your household in a utility or e			with your utility to help	enroll	Yes	S No				
	reduce monthly bills, save end information from your applicat members (such as names and us to share it. Your information This is optional. You can get a share your information with your applicant members (such as names and us to share it.)	ion with your utility, including dates of birth) to help you n will be kept confidential. A LIHEAP grant if you quali	ng yo ı enro	ur income and househ	old you want						
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1.	My signature on this application gives			ation I understand I have the rig	aht to appeal	anv decisio	n or undue delav in				
	My signature on this application gives my permission to the Department of Human Services or its authorized agent to: (a) check any information I give about where I live, my jobs, income,			decision which I consider improper regarding this application. 5. I affirm that Pennsylvania is my legal residence.							
	resources, energy supply and energy with my energy supplier and receive in	5. 6.	6. Lunderstand any Social Security number(s) given will be used in the								
	supplier to allow DHS to obtain a reco consumption, cost and billing informat evaluation, operation, or reporting; and	administration of this program, including cross matches with other programs.									
	connection with energy assistance.	1.	 I understand that I will be sent a notice of eligibility or ineligibility eligible, the notice will state the amount of my benefit. 								
2.	Furnishing this information (including y however, failure to furnish the request or prevent the completion of your apply your ability to receive benefits. If you f complete the information below, you n	ed information may delay lication or delay or prevent ail to provide a SSN or fail to	8.	I further understand that if benefit, it must be sent dir I am a renter and my hear a fuel dealer who does no	ectly to my ut t is included ir	tility compar n my rent o	ny or fuel dealer unless r my fuel is supplied by				
	I certify that: (check all that apply)	ar mangana na aranana	9.	9. I certify that, subject to penalties provided by law, the information I gais true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.							
	☐ I provided Social Security numbers.	pers for all household	10.	I know that if I give false in imprisonment.		,	0				
	To the best of my knowledge, the not have Social Security number		11.	 I understand by signing this application, I may not qualify because LIHEAP money has run out. 							
	Print Name	Print Name	 If your household is eligible for LIHEAP, you may receive a Fast Track consent form in the mail that could allow you and your household members to be automatically enrolled in Medical Assistance. 								
	The following household memb under Section 7 of the Privacy	Privacy Act Notice; Authority: 42 U.S.C. § 405(c)(2)(C)(i) authorizes the collection of this information. Purpose: The Department of Human Services ("DHS") will use this information to identify and verify									
	disclose their Social Security No because they are a victim of do	umber or may be unable to	income of applicant(s). Routine Uses: The information will be used by and disclosed to DHS personnel and contractors or other agents who need the information for LIHEAP administration. Additionally, DHS may share the information with other government agencies or in reports to legislative representatives as required by federal or Pennsylvania law.								
	Print Name	Print Name	Please Sign Here - Use Ink								
3.		authorize the release of LIHEAP eligibility information to and from my energy suppliers or weatherization agencies and allow them to									
	seek assistance for which I may be eli include LIHEAP Cash, Crisis, or Weat	X	0:			Dete					
				Signatur	e:		Date				

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	Fill out all required information clearly and	completely.		of income if	of all income. You do not need to send proc you receive other benefits with DHS and		
	Provide Social Security numbers for <u>all</u> hou members or complete the Energy Assistance in the Certification section on page 3.	isehold ce Affidavit		checked the box to allow the use of income on Example: If you apply in November and are se			
	Send proof of immigration status if you are citizen.	a non-U.S.		a) one mor month be	on the of income – send proof for October, the efore the month of application.		
	If you rent with heat included, send a copy or signed, written statement from your landl how you pay for heat and the type of heat u	lord explaining		b) 12 month of the pr year.	hs of income – send proof for November evious year through October of the current		
	If you pay for heat, send a bill for your main	main heating			OF INCLUDES PAY STUBS, AWARD ERS, EMPLOYER STATEMENTS, ETC.		
	source. Attach a copy of your utility bill date months of the date you submit your applicate other fuels provide a bill/receipt of a purcha January of the previous heating season to provide a bill year.	tion. For se from		less than the send a state	s you have no income or if your income is a cost of your monthly basic living needs, ment explaining how your household pays ag needs (food, rent, etc.).		
	If you would like payment sent to your seco			Sign and dat	e your application.		
	heating provider, enclose a copy of your ma <u>AND</u> secondary heating bills.	all1		your local co	mpleted application and all documents to unty assistance office. If you are not sure a call 1-866-857-7095.		
	oter Registration (Optiona						
1	you are not registered to vote where you li YOU DO NOT CHECK EITHER BOX, YOU WILL B				_		
1) 2)	o register, you must: Be at least 18 on the day of the next electio Be a citizen of the United States for at least Reside in Pennsylvania and the voting distr	t one month PRIC			•		
If	pplying to register or declining to register to you would like help filling out the voter registelp is yours. You may fill out the application fo	tration applicatior	า form	, we will help y	ou. The decision whether to seek or accept		
de pr	you believe that someone has interfered with eciding whether to register or in applying to reference, you may file a complaint with the Soll-free telephone number 1-877-VOTESPA.)	egister to vote, or	your r	ight to choose	your own political party or other political		
	COUNTY ASSISTANCE OFFICE STAFF	WILL COMPLE	TE TH	IS BOX BASI	ED UPON YOUR RESPONSE ABOVE		
		Sent to voter registra			Mailed to Client		
	Declined, not interested	Not a U.S. citizen			Declined, already registered		

If you have a disability and need this application in large print or another format, please call our **Helpline** at **1-800-692-7462**. **TDD Services** are available by calling PA Relay at **711**.

Apply online at www.dhs.pa.gov/COMPASS



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NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

This notice contains important information about the privacy of your medical information. If you need this notice in another language or someone to interpret, please contact your local county assistance office. Language assistance will be provided free of charge.

Este aviso contiene información importante acerca de la privacidad de su información médica. Si necesita este aviso en otro idioma o alguien para que interprete, comuníquese con la Oficina de Asistencia de su Condado. La asistencia bilingüe será gratuita.

Данное уведомление содержит важные сведения относительно конфиденциальности вашей медицинской информации. Если вам нужно данное уведомление на другом языке или вам нужны услуги устного переводчика, обращайтесь в Бюро помощи вашего округа (County Assistance Office). Переводческие услуги предоставляются бесплатно.

此通知包括关于您的医疗信息的个人隐私方面的重要资料。 如果您需要此通知译成其它语言或需要有人替您翻译, 请联系您所在地区的郡县援助力事处。可提供免费语言协助。 Thông báo này gồm những thông tin quan trọng về việc bảo mật các chi tiết y tế cá nhân của quí vị. Nếu cần có thông báo này bằng một ngôn ngữ khác hay người để thông dịch, xin quí vị liên lạc với Văn Phòng Trợ Cấp Địa Phương. Trợ giúp ngôn ngữ sẽ được cung cấp miễn phí.

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يحتوي هذا الإخطار على معلومات هامة حول خصوصية المعلومات الطبية المتعلقة بك. إذا كنت بحاجة إلى هذا الإخطار بلغة أخرى أو إلى شخص ما لترجمته لك، فيرجى الاتصال بمكتب معونة المقاطعة المحلى. وستقدم المساعدة اللغوية مجانًا.

The Department of Human Services (DHS) provides and pays for many types of benefits and social services. We also determine an individual's eligibility to receive benefits and services. To do these things, we have to collect personal and health information about you and/or your family. The information we collect about you and/or your family is private. We call this information "protected health information."

DHS does not use or disclose DHS health information unless it is permitted or required by law. DHS is required by law to maintain the privacy of protected health information, to provide individuals with notice of its legal duties and privacy practices concerning protected health information and to notify affected individuals in the case of a breach of unsecured protected health information. As a "covered entity," DHS must follow applicable laws protecting the privacy of your protected health information which include the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) privacy rules. Under HIPAA, Medicaid agencies, certain health plans and health care providers are examples of covered entities that must comply with HIPAA. Other laws that may apply include rules concerning confidential information about Medical Assistance, other benefits, behavioral health, substance abuse/ treatment and HIV/AIDS. When we use or disclose protected health information, we make every reasonable effort to limit its use or disclosure to the minimum necessary to accomplish the intended purpose. This notice explains your right to privacy of your protected health information and how we may use and disclose that information. For more information on DHS privacy practices, or to receive another copy of this notice, please contact us. For information on how to contact us, see the "Questions or Complaints" section on the last page of this notice.

We are required by law to follow the terms of this notice. We reserve the right to change the terms of this notice and to make the new notice provisions effective for all protected health information we maintain. If we make an important change in our privacy policies or procedures, we will post a revised copy of the notice on our website and/or provide you with a new privacy notice by mail or in person. You may request and receive a paper copy of this notice at any time.

What is protected health information?

Protected health information is information about you that relates to a past, present or future physical or mental health condition, treatment or payment for treatment, and that can be used to identify you. This information includes any information, whether verbal or recorded in any form, that is created or received by DHS or persons or organizations that contract with DHS. This includes electronic information and information in any other form or medium that could identify you, for example:

Your name (or names of your children)
Address
Date of birth
Admission/discharge date
Diagnostic code

Telephone number DHS case number Social Security number Medical procedure code

Who sees and shares my health information?

DHS professionals (such as caseworkers and other county assistance office and program staff) and people outside of DHS (such as our contractors, health maintenance organization (HMO) staff, nurses, doctors, therapists, social workers and administrators) may see and use your health information to determine your eligibility for benefits, treatment, payment or for other required or permitted reasons. Sharing your health information may relate to services and benefits you had before, receive now, or may receive later. DHS will not use or share genetic information about you when deciding if you are eligible for Medicaid.

Why is my protected health information used and disclosed by DHS?

There are different reasons why we may use or disclose your protected health information. The law says that we may use or disclose information without your consent or authorization for the reasons described below.

<u>For Treatment</u>: We may use or disclose information so that you can receive medical treatment or services. For example, we may disclose information your doctor, hospital or therapist needs to know to give you quality care and to coordinate your treatment with others helping with your care.

<u>For Payment</u>: We may use or disclose information to pay for your treatment and other services. For example, we may exchange information about you with your doctor, hospital, nursing home, or another government agency to pay the bills for your treatment and services.

For Operating Our Programs: We may use or disclose information in the course of our ordinary business as we manage our various programs. For example, we may use your health information to contact you to provide information about appointments, health-related information and benefits and services. We may also review information we receive from your doctor, hospital, nursing home and other health care providers to review how our programs are working or to review the need for and quality of health care services provided to you and/or your family.

For Public Health Activities: We report public health information to other government agencies concerning such things as contagious diseases, immunization information, and the tracking of some diseases such as cancer.

<u>For Law Enforcement Purposes and As Required by Legal Proceedings</u>: We will disclose information to the police or other law enforcement authorities as required by court order.

<u>For Government Programs</u>: We may disclose information to a provider, government agency or other organization that needs to know if you are enrolled in one of our programs or receiving benefits under other programs such as the Workers' Compensation Program.

For National Security: We may disclose information requested by the federal government when they are investigating something important to protect our country.

For Public Health and Safety: We may disclose information to prevent serious threats to health or safety of a person or the public.

For Research: We may disclose information for permitted research purposes and to develop reports. These reports do not identify specific people.

<u>For Coroners, Funeral Directors and Organ Donation</u>: We may disclose information to a coroner or medical examiner for identification purposes, cause of death determinations, organ donation and related reasons. We may also disclose information to funeral directors to carry out funeral-related duties.

For Reasons Otherwise Required By Law: DHS may use or disclose your protected health information to the extent that the use or disclosure is otherwise required by law. The use or disclosure is made in compliance with the law and is limited to the requirements of the law.

Do other laws also protect certain health information about me?

DHS also follows other federal and state laws that provide additional privacy protections for the use and disclosure of information about you. For example, if we have HIV or substance abuse information, with a few exceptions, we may not release it without special, signed written permission that complies with the law. In some situations, the law also requires us to obtain written permission before we use or release information concerning mental health or intellectual disabilities and certain other information.

Can I ask DHS to use or disclose my health information?

Sometimes, you may need or want to have your protected health information sent or otherwise disclosed to someone or somewhere for reasons other than treatment, payment, operating our programs, or other permitted or required purpose not needing your written authorization. If so, you may be asked to sign an authorization form, allowing us to send or otherwise disclose your protected health care information as you request.

The authorization form tells us what, where and to whom the information will be sent or otherwise disclosed. You may revoke your authorization or limit the amount of information to be disclosed at any time by letting us know in writing, except to the extent that DHS has already taken action in reliance upon the authorization.

If you are younger than 18 years old and, by law, you are able to consent for your own health care, then you will have control of that health information. You may ask to have your health information sent to any person who is helping you with your health care.

Except as described in this Notice, we will not use or disclose your health information without your written authorization. For example, HIPAA generally requires written authorization before a covered entity may use or disclose an individual's psychotherapy notes. In most cases, HIPAA also requires written authorization before a covered entity may use or disclose protected health information for marketing purposes or before it sells it.

What are my rights regarding my health information?

As a DHS client, you have the following rights regarding your protected health information that we use and disclose:

<u>Right to See and Copy Your Health Information</u>: You have the right to see most of your protected health information and to receive a copy of it. If you want copies of information you have a right to see, you may be charged a small fee. However, generally, you may not see or receive a copy of: (1) psychotherapy notes; or (2) information that may not be released to you under federal law.

If we deny your request for protected health information, we will provide you a written explanation for the denial and your rights regarding the denial.

DHS does not receive or keep a file of all of your protected health information. Doctors, hospitals, nursing homes and other health care providers (including an HMO, if you are enrolled in one) may also have your protected health information. You also have a right to your health information through your doctor or other provider who has these records.

Right to Correct or Add Information: If you think some of the protected health information we have is wrong, you may ask us in writing to correct or add new information. You may ask us to send the corrected or new information to others who have received your health information from us. In certain cases, we may deny your request to correct or add information. If we deny your request, we will provide you a written explanation of why we denied your request. We will also explain what you can do if you disagree with our decision.

Right to Receive a List of Disclosures: You have the right to receive a list of where your protected health information has been sent, unless it was sent for purposes relating to treatment, payment, operating our programs, or if the law says we are not required to add the disclosure to the list. For example, the law does not require us to add to the list any disclosures we may have made to you, to family or persons involved in your care, to others you have authorized us to disclose to, or for information disclosed before April 14, 2003.

Right to Request Restrictions on Use and Disclosure: You have the right to ask us to restrict the use and disclosure of your protected health information. We may not be able to agree to your request. In fact, in some situations, we are not permitted to restrict the use or disclosure of the information. If we cannot comply with your request, we will tell you why. Except as otherwise required by law, we must grant your request to restrict disclosure to a health plan if the purpose of disclosure is not for treatment and the medical services to which the request applies have been paid out-of-pocket in full.

<u>Right to Request Confidential Communication</u>: You may ask us to communicate with you in a certain way or at a certain location. For example, you may ask us to contact you only by mail.

<u>Right to Receive Notification of a Breach</u>: You have the right to receive notification if there is a breach of your unsecured protected health information

Whom do I contact about my rights or to ask questions about this notice?

You can contact the DHS HIPAA helpline, toll-free at 800-692-7462 to discuss your rights or to ask questions about this notice. You can also contact your caseworker or health care provider or write to DHS's Privacy Office, 3rd Floor West, Health and Welfare Building, 7th and Forster Streets, Harrisburg, PA 17120.

You can receive important information or updates to this notice by visiting DHS's Web site at www.dhs.pa.gov.

How do I file a complaint?

You may contact either office listed below if you want to file a complaint about how DHS has used or disclosed information about you. There is no penalty for filing a complaint. Your benefits will not be affected or changed if you file a complaint. DHS and its employees and contractors cannot and will not retaliate against you for filing a complaint.

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES PRIVACY OFFICE 3RD FLOOR WEST, HEALTH AND WELFARE BUILDING 7TH AND FORSTER STREETS HARRISBURG, PA 17120

REGION III U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS 150 S. INDEPENDENCE MALL WEST - SUITE 372 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106-9111

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