



GOVERNOR JOSH SHAPIRO

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**MEDIA ADVISORY: TOMORROW IN HARRISBURG – Governor
Shapiro to Sign Executive Orders Expanding Protections for
Pennsylvanians with Disabilities**

Harrisburg, PA – Tomorrow, **Governor Josh Shapiro** will take action to strengthen the rights and protections of Pennsylvanians with disabilities and autism.

Since taking office, **Governor Shapiro** has secured historic investments to expand intellectual disabilities and autism services and his [2026-27 proposed budget](#) continues this work by increasing funding for the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation by **\$1 million** — bringing the total to **\$49.7 million** — and investing **\$3 million** for the modernization of [PA Link](#), helping people with disabilities and older adults find information and connect to support and services in their community.

WHO:

Governor Josh Shapiro

Secretary Dr. Val Arkoosh, PA Department of Human Services

Sherri Landis, Arc of Pennsylvania

Erin Lopes, Autism Parent

Lisa Butler, Developmental Disabilities Council Member

WHEN:

Wednesday, April 15 at 1:30 PM

WHERE:

Governor's Reception Room
501 N 3rd St.
Harrisburg, PA 17120

LIVE STREAM:

pacast.com/live/gov
governor.pa.gov/live/

RSVP:

Press who are interested in attending must RSVP with the names and phone numbers for each member of their team to ra-gvgovpress@pa.gov.

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