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Good morning,

Happy new year! Please see below/attached for information and resources related to your work with older youth.

- PHEAA: Scholarship Opportunity (attached)
- Health Access Initiative for Recovery (HAIR)
 - <https://www.upmc.com/about/community-commitment/community-stories/health-access-initiative-for-recovery>
 - <https://cbhphilly.org/cbh-providers/provider-resources/our-hair-health-access-initiative-for-recovery-program/>
- January 2026 Trauma Team Tip Sheet (attached)
- PHEAA Updates
- The nsoro Educational Foundation: 2026-2027 Scholarship: Apply Today!
- Inglis Self-Determination Housing of Pennsylvania: Free January Webinars

January Trauma Tip Sheet

This month's Tip Sheet continues our series on organizational culture change, with a focus on strategies to encourage and sustain meaningful transformation. Building a learning culture often requires multiple, tailored approaches to strengthen data use across all staff levels. Because organizational cultures vary across departments, leaders may need to adapt strategies to address differing team dynamics.

Cultural change can be challenging, particularly when existing norms create resistance. Leaders are encouraged to proactively identify barriers and leverage familiar, culturally aligned strategies to minimize disruption while promoting positive outcomes. Common challenges include limited access to quality data, staff buy-in, insufficient capacity and infrastructure for data use, and a limited understanding of data's value beyond reporting requirements.

Have a wonderful day, and Happy New Year! 🎉 ✨

Sincerely,



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PHEAA Updates:

- PA-Tip Funding Hold
 - Due to the high number of 2025-26 PA-TIP student applications received, PHEAA has currently exhausted all funding. Institutions can view a list of which students were placed on a "funding hold" via the PageCenterX report titled "PA-TIP Applicants Not Selected for Awards." If funding becomes available, PHEAA will continue to award subsequent applicants on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Grow PA Grant School Webpage
 - A dedicated [school-facing webpage for the Grow PA Grant Program](#) has been launched to assist institutions with understanding and administering this new program. Be sure to bookmark this page and check it out periodically for updates!
- On December 17, 2025, PHEAA initiated an Issue Alerts webpage for GrantUs®. The page follows issues related to the platform and will identify those that have been solved. Please bookmark the page and refer to it periodically for any updates as they are made. [GrantUs Issue Alerts](#)

PA Forward Student Loans | Free Financial Literacy Resources

PHEAA offers **free** financial literacy materials for students and parents! From the Student Aid Guide to the Beyond High School Booklet and Financial Aid Comparison Worksheet, we've got resources to help students at various grade levels plan for their higher education. Explore and order materials anytime on our [online ordering site](#).

Creating a StudentAid.gov account is the first step toward FAFSA completion. Starting in December there will be updates to streamline this process to speed up the completion process along with other benefits. [Upcoming changes to the FSA ID account process - Mapping Your Future](#)

PACAC Scholarship

The PACAC scholarship is [now open](#). Application deadline is February 2, 2026. Scholarships are available to high school seniors graduating from PACAC member high schools.

FAFSA Overview-Line by Line

PHEAA will present the FAFSA Overview-Line by Line Webinar on January 14 at 6:00 PM. Join the PHEAA Access Partners as students and their families are guided through the FAFSA and PA State Grant completion process. Time will be provided for your questions regarding the FAFSA and PA State Grant application process. Register at pheaa.org/virtual.

2026-27 PA State Grant Application and GrantUs®

The first step to accessing GrantUs is completing the 2026-27 FAFSA!

After students complete the 2026-27 FAFSA, this information will be sent to PHEAA, and we will process it in our system. Once we process it, students will receive an activation email for their GrantUs account if they meet our pre-screening process and do not have an existing account. This email is time-sensitive, so students are encouraged to act immediately!

If the activation link expires, students can use the link from their email to access GrantUs and select Forgot Password to go through the setup process.

PA Forward Scholarship

PHEAA is offering \$2,500 scholarships for 12 lucky winners. Applications will be available in January 2026 for PA resident undergraduate and graduate students and their parents for the 2026-27 academic year. You must opt in to receive communications from PHEAA with tips on how to pay for college and college planning. See the attached flyer for additional details.

The nsoro Educational Foundation: 2026-2027 Scholarship: Apply Today!



2026-2027 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Apply Today!

The nsoro Foundation Scholarship is a holistic support system that shepherds our scholars to and through college. We provide direct academic scholarships, executive-level coaching, mentorship, and workforce readiness programs for youth aging out of foster care nationwide, ages 16–26.



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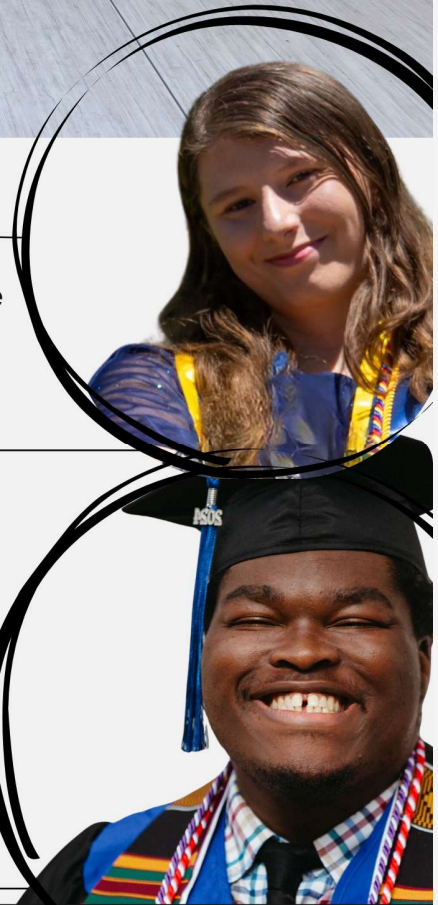


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APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN DECEMBER 30, 2025 - MARCH 15, 2026



Inglis Self-Determination Housing of Pennsylvania: Free January Webinars



FREE January Webinars!

Happy New Year! Our Regional Housing Coordinators (RHCs) offer a [variety of FREE webinars \(pdf\)](#) each month on Zoom, focused on understanding and navigating the affordable housing system and resources for seniors and people with disabilities in housing.

If the training times in the flyer linked above do not work for your organization, you can always use our [Information and Referral form](#) to request a private [training](#).

Register with our Training Calendar Here!

Please Note: We can now offer 0.5 CEUs for our entire training catalog! Inglis Self-Determination Housing of Pennsylvania (SDHP) is approved by the Pennsylvania State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Professional Counselors to offer continuing education for social workers, marriage and family therapists, and professional counselors. Inglis SDHP maintains responsibility for the program(s).

- **JANUARY TRAININGS:**

- **PREP 3-part series**
 - January 12th at 1:00pm
 - January 20th at 1:00pm
 - January 26th at 1:00pm
- **Home Modifications**
 - January 14th at 1:00pm
- **Assistance Animals**
 - January 22nd at 12:00pm
- **Tenants' Rights: Fair Housing and Beyond**
 - January 29th at 12:00pm

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