

About Community Services Group

Since 1972 Community Services Group (CSG) has been dedicated to providing quality, community-based mental health and intellectual and developmental disability services throughout Central and Northeastern Pennsylvania. With nearly 1,600 employees, CSG has developed a spectrum of specialized programs to meet the needs of the individuals we serve.

Our programs and services include adult mental health, intellectual and developmental disability, children's mental health and autism services. We believe that these services, in conjunction with a caring, dignified setting, promote growth and provide opportunities for the individuals in our programs to reach their full potential.

We are committed to and take pride in providing services which empower individuals and promote independence and wellness.



Susan C. Blue, President/CEO

CSG is the preferred choice for individuals and referral sources because of CSG's network of comprehensive mental health, intellectual and developmental disability (IDD), and children services and its commitment to empowering individuals and promoting independence and wellness.



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Post Permanency Services

Promoting Permanency with
Courage, Compassion, and
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Promoting Post Permanency

As a Pennsylvania Statewide Adoption and Permanency Network (SWAN) affiliate, Community Services Group (CSG) provides post permanency services to any family who lives in PA and has adopted or is providing permanency through formal guardianship or kinship. The services are free and are designed to enhance the family's permanency.

While every family's permanency journey is unique, the day-to-day challenges often require a tremendous amount of **courage** and **compassion**. Families may need to reach out for extra support and **connections** through their journey. CSG post permanency services offer each family ongoing support as they work through periods of change, adjustment, and growth.

The Benefits

- No one needs to feel like they are alone – maintaining permanency is lifelong.
- No one needs to feel like they have to have all the answers – growing as a family takes time.
- No one can be the “perfect” child or parent – working through the hard days makes the good days even more joyous. And learning how to have **courage**, **compassion**, and **connections** is the beginning of walking through many vulnerable moments – as a family.



Available Services

Case Assessment

After a family calls for post permanency services, an assessment is completed to identify the family's strengths, goals that the family wants to work on, and ways the family can meet their goals. The worker meets with the family to help them decide which unit of service – case advocacy, respite, and support group – will be requested to best meet their needs.

Case Advocacy

Case Advocacy ensures that families are supported each month as they work through their goals and discover services designed to meet their needs. The CSG Adoption and Permanency Specialist works alongside the family as they build resources and find other supportive and encouraging connections for the family.

Respite

Respite Services offer opportunities for the family to develop resources that can help meet the demands of parenting. Respite can be traditional respites where someone cares for the child when the family is away or other creative services such as camps or enrichment programs that meet the needs of the family or child.

Support Group

Support Groups give parents and children the chance to get together with other adoptive families and youth. Members support each other by being mentors, sharing their challenges and successes in a safe place as well as providing informal respite or care for one another.



Making the Call –

The **hardest** step always seems to be the first.

Families wanting to start post permanency services need to call the SWAN HelpLine at 800.585.SWAN (7926). SWAN staff will help determine which services best fit the family's needs and with which affiliate the family would like to work.

Post permanency services are family driven which means the family determines what they would like to work on. The family can also pick which SWAN affiliate they want and can request **Community Services Group** as their affiliate. Once an affiliate is picked, the referral is sent out.

After CSG receives the referral, a trained CSG Adoption and Permanency Specialist will contact the family to set up a visit to assess the family's situation, provide ongoing support, and help find needed resources. Through CSG post permanency services, the family can be assured they have someone to turn to and come alongside their family.

CSG services are provided in a nondiscriminatory manner, without regard to, race, color, religion, creed, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, veteran status, Limited English Proficiency (LEP), ancestry, and disability.

