



The Special Kids Network (SKN) has exciting news! The Special Kids Network serves families of children and youth with special health care needs, by helping them get the services and support needed to thrive in the community and develop to their full potential. The SKN operates in partnership between the PA Department of Health and PA Elks Major Projects, Inc. The SKN program offers three components: 1) a toll free helpline for resources; 2) in-home service coordination provided by trained nurses at no cost to families; and 3) and a system of community and regional support provided by Regional Coordinators, all of whom are parents of children or youth with special needs. Due to the success of the program across the Commonwealth, the Special Kids Network has added two additional Regional Coordinators. Originally, the state was divided into six regions and each region had a Regional Coordinator. There are now eight designated SKN regions and eight Regional Coordinators. This expansion will allow the Regional Coordinators to provide more comprehensive statewide coverage. The Regional Coordinators respond to issues that are systemic in nature, for example, transportation to medical appointments. To learn more about the services the Special Kids Network provides, call toll-free 1-800-986-4550.

