Benefits Specialty Services
for People with HIV

What are Benefits Specialty Services (BSS)?
Benefits Specialty Services (BSS) is a program that helps people with HIV (PWH) access public and/or private health and disability benefits and programs. Benefits Specialists can assist in making sure you are getting all available health and disability benefits at no cost to you.

What is the goal of the BSS program?
BSS helps you learn and enroll in different public and private benefit and entitlement programs (CalFresh; Medicaid/Medi-Cal; Medicare; Social Security; Women, Infants, Children (WIC); and many more) for which you may be eligible.

What services can I access through the BSS program?
BSS program offers a variety of services that may include checking your benefit need and eligibility, helping you complete any applications and/or paperwork, and managing your benefits.

Where can I access these services?

Agency	Contact	Phone Number	Email Address
AIDS Healthcare Foundation	Nubia Treminio	(310) 657-9353 x 5640	nubia.treminio@aidshealth.org
AltaMed Health Services	Yenmie Stevenson	(213) 420-8342	ytapia@altamed.org
APLA Health & Wellness Center	BSS Appointment Line	(213) 201-1615	tmonteilh@aplahealth.org
City of Long Beach, Department of Health and Human Services	Stephanie Silva	(562) 570-4317	stephanie.silva@longbeach.gov
JWCH Institute	Marsha Ortiz	(626) 744-6140 x 5231	mortiz@jwch.org
LA LGBT Center	Linda Santiman	(323)993-7610	Lsantiman@lalgbtcenter.org
Men's Health Foundation	Ashley Weber	(323) 905-5692	ashley.weber@menshealthfound.org
Northeast Valley Healthcare Corporation	Yesenia Batres	(818) 988-6335 x 50745	herberthosorio@nevhc.org
Tarzana Treatment Center	Danielle Barron-Pena	(818) 996-1051 x 1285 (818) 342-5897 x 2153	dbarron@Tarzanatc.org
Venice Family Clinic	Jade Davis-Hurd	(310) 664-7835	jdavishurd@mednet.ucla.edu
Watts Healthcare Corporation	Anthony Corona	(323) 564-4331 x 3326	anthony.corona@wattshealth.org

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How do I access these services?

You can access these services by contacting any of the providers listed above. If you are not already receiving services at one of the listed providers, you may need to confirm that you are eligible for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP). They may ask you to provide documentation confirming your HIV diagnosis, current income (if any), health insurance (if any), and that you live in Los Angeles County. BSS are free for those with a qualifying income regardless of immigration status.

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