

**CHILDRENS' HOSPITALS, ESTABLISHMENT**  
**Act of May 14, 1925, P.L. 749, No. 408**  
AN ACT

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Providing for the establishing and maintenance of a State hospital and center to provide ambulatory and inpatient services for the diagnosis, evaluation, treatment and rehabilitation of children and youth under age twenty-one who have physical or neuro-developmental disabilities; and making an appropriation. (Title amended Dec. 10, 1974, P.L.850, No.286)

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That a State hospital center is hereby established, to be known as the Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth to provide comprehensive diagnostic and treatment services for children and youth under age twenty-one with physical and neuro-developmental disabilities amenable to medical, surgical and rehabilitative treatment.

(1 amended Dec. 10, 1974, P.L.850, No.286)

Section 1.1. The Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth may charge reasonable fees for its services determined in accordance with acceptable hospital practice but may not exclude any patient for lack of financial means to pay for services.

(1.1 added Dec. 10, 1974, P.L.850, No.286)

Section 1.2. The Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth may collect payments from any third party payor or other persons with financial responsibility for health payments on behalf of patients.

(1.2 added Dec. 10, 1974, P.L.850, No.286)

Section 1.3. The Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth shall give preference in admission to those patients whose family financial condition before or as the result of appropriate care might result in financial hardship as determined by criteria to be established by the Secretary of Health.

(1.3 added Dec. 10, 1974, P.L.850, No.286)

Section 2. For this purpose the Department of Health, with the approval of the Governor, is hereby authorized to acquire property, erect buildings, equip the same, and do all things necessary to accomplish such work. The management and control of said institution and the admission of inmates thereto and their discharge therefrom shall be under the direct supervision and control of the Department of Health.

Section 3. Should the Department of Health and the Governor select a site for such institution on lands already owned by the Commonwealth, and the department under whose control such land may be agrees thereto, so much of said land as may be necessary shall be set aside for such purpose.