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## Auditor General DePasquale Announces 10 Audits to Protect Taxpayers, Older Adults and People with Disabilities

**HARRISBURG** – Auditor General Eugene DePasquale today said he is launching 10 audits to ensure patients receive the Medicaid services for which taxpayers pay, with a focus on services for older adults and people with intellectual disabilities.

"Vendors hired by the Department of Human Services provide services that cost taxpayers billions of dollars annually," DePasquale said. "My audits help to make sure that the services being billed to the state are actually provided to patients."

Ten vendors that provide a variety of medical and human services were notified Feb. 11 that auditors will begin reviewing records.

"Taxpayers have a right to know that the investments they make in helping their most vulnerable neighbors are being used efficiently and effectively," DePasquale added.

DePasquale said the audits are conducted in cooperation with Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Pat Browne, who sponsored the legislation authorizing these audits.

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**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following DHS vendors were notified that they will be audited:

- Brighton Rehabilitation and Wellness Center, Beaver (Beaver Co.)
- Comfort Keepers, Jenkintown (Montgomery Co.)
- Excentia Human Services, Lancaster (Lancaster Co.)
- Human Resources Center, Inc., Honesdale (Wayne Co.)
- Jewish Home of Eastern PA, Scranton (Lackawanna Co.)
- Merakey, Ebensburg (Cambria Co.)
- Milestone Centers, Inc., Monroeville (Allegheny Co.)
- Parkhouse Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, Royersford (Montgomery Co.)
- St. Luke's Hospital Sacred Heart Campus, Allentown (Lehigh Co.)
- Wellspan Philhaven, York (York Co.)