

Our Mission

The **Center for Personal Assistance Services** provides research, training, dissemination and technical assistance on issues of personal assistance services (PAS) in the United States:

- The relationship between **formal and informal PAS** and caregiving support, and the role of assistive technology (AT) in complementing PAS;
- Policies and programs, barriers and new models for **PAS in the home and community**;
- **PAS workforce** development, recruitment, retention, and benefits; and
- **Workplace PAS** models that eliminate barriers to formal and informal PAS and AT at work.

What are Personal Assistance Services?

Personal Assistance Services (PAS) refer to help provided to people with disabilities to assist them with tasks essential for daily living. These tasks include bathing, dressing, getting around, toileting, eating, shopping, remembering things, and other activities. PAS, along with assistive technology such as wheelchairs, text readers, and hearing aids, help people with disabilities to participate in activities at home, at work, and in the community.

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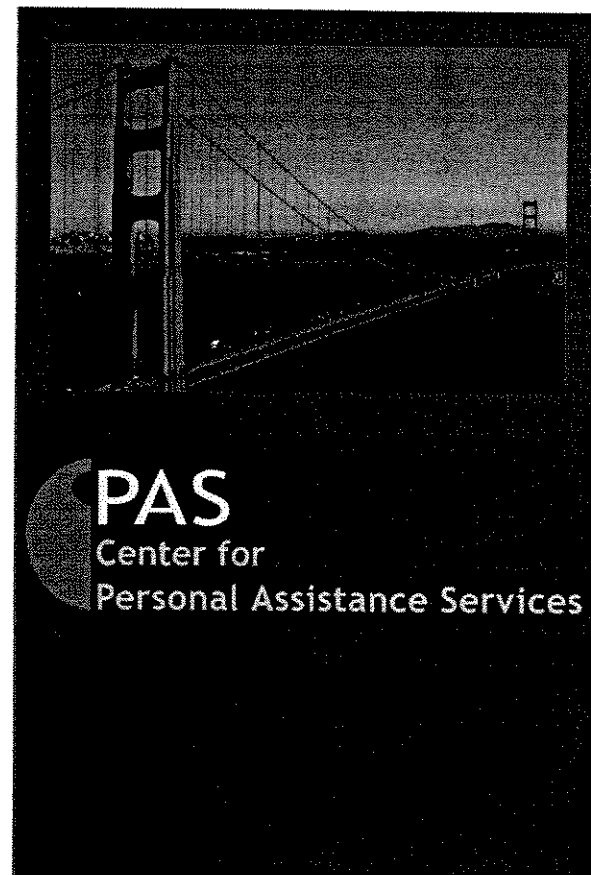
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