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Application for Free Library Service

Please complete this application and submit to LAMP: Library of Accessible Media for Pennsylvanians. The application may be sent by email, fax, or printed and mailed. **All applications for patrons under the age of 18 must have the Parental Acknowledgment for NLS Services and Devices completed on PAGE 5.**

Please print or type

🗆 Individual	□ Institution		
Institution Name (If applicable)			
Name (Last)	(First)	(Middle)	
Street Address	Apt/R	loom	
CityCounty	State	Zip Code	
Primary Telephone	Date of Birth_		
Alternate Telephone	Email		
 Email me a username/password for the online catalog Check here to receive our email newsletter 			
Alternative contact if you cannot be reached			
Name:F	Relationship:		
Phone ()	Email:		

Veterans: Persons who are blind or have a print disability who have been honorably discharged from the United States military receive preference in the lending of books, recordings, playback equipment, musical scores, instructional texts, and specialized materials (Public Law 89-522).

 \Box Check here if you were honorably discharged from the United States military.

Certification of Eligibility

Certifying Authority

Eligibility must be certified by one of the following: doctor of medicine, doctor of osteopathy, ophthalmologist, optometrist, psychologist, registered nurse, therapist, or professional staff of hospitals, institutions, and public or welfare agencies (such as an educator, social worker, case worker, counselor, rehabilitation teacher, certified reading specialist, school psychologist, superintendent, or librarian).

To be completed by Certifying Authority (as described above)

I certify that the named applicant is unable to read or use standard print material for the reason indicated below:

□ **Blindness:** Vision 20/200 or less, or visual field of 20 degrees or less.

□ **Visual Impairment:** Visual disabilities that make it difficult to read standard print. Conditions such as macular degeneration, cataracts, glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy, retinitis pigmentosa, and strabismus.

□ **Physical Disability:** Physical disabilities of the hands that make it difficult to hold a book or turn pages, such as stroke, Parkinson's Disease, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, traumatic brain injury, arthritis, neuropathy, and injury or loss of the hand.

□ Deaf-Blindness

□ **Reading Disability:** Reading disability, such as dyslexia.

Name (please print)		Title		
Organization		Email		
Address		Phone		
City	State		Zip	
Signature		Date		

A typed signature is acceptable if application is submitted electronically by the certifying authority.

Services and Equipment

All books and equipment are sent and returned through the mail free of charge. Please select the services you would like to receive.

□ Talking Books on digital cartridge and a digital player needed to use them.

□ **Standard Digital Player.** This machine has eight controls and includes builtin audio instructions.

□ Advanced Digital Player. This machine has 13 controls. This player allows for bookmarking and navigating book levels.

Special Accessories to use with the talking book player

□ Headphones – for private listening

□ **Digital Talking Book Cartridge Cable** (used to connect a digital talking book cartridge to a USB port on a computer)

□ **Breath Switch Adapter/Remote Control** helps readers who have severely limited use of their hands.

□ **High Volume Player** aids readers with a severe hearing impairment.

□ **Braille and Audio Reading Download (BARD)** Downloadable talking books and Web-Braille. An email address for BARD registration is required. Use with iOS, Android and other devices.

□ Braille Books

□ **Large Print Books** These books with larger-than-standard type are only available to individual readers.

□ **Described Movies on DVD** These DVDs have a menu option for audio description.

Return of Materials and Equipment: Playback equipment and library materials are supplied to eligible persons on extended loan. If this equipment is not being used with audio reading material provided by the Library of Congress and its cooperating libraries, it must be returned to the Library of Accessible Media for Pennsylvanians.

Reading Preferences

Please check the listening/reading levels you prefer:

🗆 Adult	Middle Grade	🗆 Kindergarten – 3 rd Grade
Young Adult	Elementary	Preschool

Here are examples of some popular subjects available at LAMP:

Adventure/Thriller	□ Humor	□ Science/Technology
🗆 African American	Inspirational	□ Science Fiction
Animals/Nature	Literature	□ Short Stories
Best Sellers	□ LGBTQ+	□ Sports/Recreation
🗆 Biography	□ Mystery	🗆 War
□ Classics	Poetry	□ Westerns
Fantasy/Folktales	□ Psychology/Se	lf Help
Foreign Language Specify	Regional Inter Specify	est (PA, OH, etc.)
□ Government/Politics	□ Religion	
□ History- U.S.	Specify	
History- World	□ Romance	
Other interests:		

Favorite authors or series:

I do not wish to receive books that contain (check all that apply):

Strong Language	Violence
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□ Explicit Descriptions of Sex

How did you hear about this free library service? (check up to three)

- □ Consumer/Support Group
- □ Veterans Affairs/Defense Health Agency □ Friend/Family
- □ Vocational Rehabilitation Center
- □ Other Healthcare Professional
- □ TV Ad
- Other Ad (describe)
- □ Internet/Social Media (describe)

- □ Public Library
- □ Event/Expo
- □ School
- □ Radio Ad

Parental Acknowledgment for NLS Services and Devices

Required for new applicants and existing patrons who are minors (under 18 years old). Please choose one of the following options:

□ As the parent/guardian of the applicant or patron, I acknowledge that my child will receive services and equipment and that my child will have access to the entire NLS catalog of reading material. All materials and equipment (including digital talking book cartridges, hard-copy braille, players, and accessories) must be returned when no longer needed.

□ My child does not have my permission to receive services from the Library of Congress. Please suspend their account and discontinue all braille and talking book services. I will return any materials that are currently on loan to my child, including digital talking book cartridges, hard-copy braille, players, and accessories.

Parent or Guardian Acknowledgment

Name (Last)	_(First)	_(Middle)
Relationship to Patron	Email Address	
Parent/Guardian Signature:		
Patron Information		
Name (Last)	_ (First)	_(Middle)
Street Address		
City	_ County	_ State
ZIPTelephone_		
Date of Birth	Email Address	

Use of Government Property: NLS program equipment, materials, and products, both online and physical, are federal property. Users shall acknowledge the purpose for which these items were intended and accept responsibility for accessing these items. All materials and equipment (including digital talking book cartridges, hard-copy braille, players, and accessories) must be returned when no longer needed. Personal Information:

Personal information is confidential except for those portions defined by law as public information. To learn what information provided on this application form may be released to other individuals, institutions, or agencies, please consult the agency to which you are submitting this application.