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# Personal assistant-companion Lithuania



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## Social services in Lithuania

General services

- to give information;
- consultation;
- food supply;
- mediator and representation;
- essential clothes and footwear supply;
- transport supply;
- sociocultural supply;
- personal hygiene and care services;
- other social services

Special services

social care

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## General services: Transport supply

- to the hospital, centre, rehab etc.
- to order beforehand
- cost determines municipality (e.g. 1km/0.45Lt)
- driver

## Special services: help at home

- permanent
- frequency by need
- food, pharmaceutical supply
- house cleaning
- accompany

## Social services Lithuania

- Household assistant (social worker assistant)
- Social worker
- Social worker assistant
- Driver
- constant supervision of professionals

## Focus group in Šiauliai 28.06.

- Unofficial
- psychological
- techniques how to enter into social contact
- general medical knowledge
- definition of functions
- certificate

## Focus group in Šiauliai 28.06.

- accompany
- be able to communicate with the client
- time & payment

## Who can have a personal assistant?

- 11.944 disabled persons there from 658 disabled kids
- 0-25% and 30-40% capacity for work (I and II group)

## Who provides the service?

- 81 Lithuanian Association of People with Disabilities
- 5 Lithuanian Association of the Blind and visually impaired
- 30 Lithuanian Welfare Society for People with Intellectual Disability 'Viltis'
- 2 Lithuanian Association of Environmental Accessibility for People with Disabilities
- 1 Klaipėda Rehabilitation Centre of the Deaf

## Lithuanian Association of the Blind and visually impaired

- Free personal assistant
- Project
- Disability Affairs Department
- Local municipalities

## Lithuanian Association of the Blind and visually impaired: ASSISTANT

- Accompanion: community activities, exhibitions, trips
- Accompanion, reader, mediator: institutions providing public services (municipality, education, employment, culture, health, rehabilitation center)
- Information Provider: finding and providing information (Orally and in Writing)
- Social workers

## Lithuanian Welfare Society for People with Intellectual Disability 'Viltis': ASSISTANT

- Accompanion: health, rehab centre
- Social workers