

#### PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

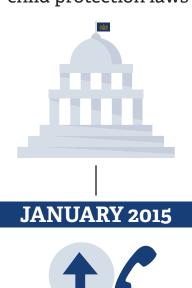
# ChildLine

**★** A TIMELINE ★

In early 2015, the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services was inundated with calls and child abuse clearance applications that the department was not adequately staffed or funded to handle. ChildLine received 1,536,921 child abuse history certification applications in 2015; a 162% increase. There was an increase of 23,446 calls in 2015.

#### DECEMBER 2014

Pennsylvania enacts 23 child protection laws



21,517 calls received at ChildLine, a 62% increase when compared to January 2014

Abandoned/deflected call rate increases to 43%



#### THERE IS NO ADDITIONAL FUNDING

for ChildLine



### **GOV. TOM WOLF INAUGURATED ON JAN. 20**

## **JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2015**

The Department of Human Services takes **IMMEDIATE** action



positions has increased by 66%, from 48 to 78)

Chief of Staff for Children, Youth and Families

Hires additional staff (to date, number of



assumes direct oversight over ChildLine



Reviews ChildLine's policies and procedures



Encourages Pennsylvanians to report child abuse and apply for child abuse history clearances via online Child Welfare Portal

# MAY 2015





**100%** timely response to child abuse clearance requests is achieved, up from 47% in March

# **TO MARCH 2016**

12% abandoned/deflected call rate

**100%** timely response to clearance

requests maintained





July 2016: Enhanced technology for ChildLine deploys

Fall 2016: New performance monitoring system goes live