RSA Parent Center Spotlight 12:30 PM-1:45 PM





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FEDERATION FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS Informing, Educating, Empowering Families









Collaboration and Partnership

- The Region A works together as one team under one set of deliverables.
 Each participating PTI receives \$10,000/ year; each CPRC receives
 \$7,500/year based on an action plan.
- The team SPAN, FCSN (MA), INCLUDEnyc, PNWNY (Buffalo) & Starbridge (Rochester, NY) - meets monthly to review all activities & upcoming events and to determine responsibilities.
- REAL works closely with the RPTAC (NE-PACT), which funds the participation of an additional person focused forum each year.
- REAL gives an update at the monthly RPTAC meetings and collaborates on regional activities.





Collaboration

Region A-1 (7 centers) FCSN (MA) - Grantee Connecticut (2) Maine Massachusetts New Hampshire Rhode Island Vermont **Region A-2 (19 centers)** SPAN (NJ) - Grantee Delaware Maryland New Jersey (2) New York (9) Pennsylvania (3) Puerto Rico Virgin Islands Washington, DC



Activities

- Transition technical Assistance to all 26 Region A centers
- 4 annual <u>Webinars</u> with related <u>Train the Trainer</u> on: VR ('21/'22), Independent Living ('22/'23), Family Engagement & IPEs
- Translated resources Fact sheets
- Expansion of the Transition Resources Repository



Activities (cont.)

- 4-Virtual or in-person <u>convenings</u> targeted to specific audiences PC staff, adult system providers, parent leaders & youth leaders
- Newsletter INCLUDEnyc develops and sends to all centers. Centers have capability to edit it to include their own events/workshops, resources
- Transition Tuesday we provide each center with a Transition Tuesday social media post to send out every week.



Governance Board

- Representative from 6 funded Parent Center (including CPRCs & PTIs) alternating every two years) & an Adult Service Provider/agency (Vocational Rehabilitation, Center for Independent Living, etc.) as well as self advocacy agency representation (YASA, ASAN, YouthMove).
- Meets Bi-annually to:
 - Inform project implementation and evaluation
 - Make recommendations for topics, presenters, etc. for convenings, webinars, resources, & other project activities
 - Review results of project activities and events
 - Discuss current & emerging needs



Youth Collaboration & Leadership

- In collaboration with RPTAC: Quarterly Youth Leadership Council meetings, facilitated by a young adult leader, with youth leaders from Region A centers providing resources, professional development and leadership development
- TA to Region A centers to develop individual youth leadership
- MOU with youth advocacy organizations ASAN, YASA, Youth MOVE - to collaborate on resources and presentations focused on building youth leadership

Reporting On Our Progress

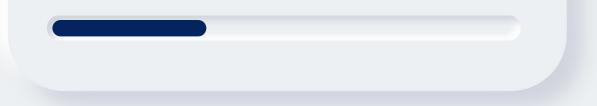
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PART 1 Parent & Professional Training





"End in Mind"	ge Appropriate Transition Assessments	ر م	
Session 2: Transition 0/20 ^ Planning	Age Appropriate Transition Assessments		
Session Two Welcome	Transition assessments are vital for appropriate transition planning. They provide information that helps guide the rest of the transition IEP process.		
Transition IEP Planning □ VIDEO - 49 MIN What You Will See Next	Once a student with an IEP reaches transition age (13 in South Carolina), "age-appropriate transition assessments" should be done at least annually. These assessments help provide data on a child's academic and functional strengths and needs, as well as their interests and desired outcomes when leaving high school.		
<↓ Audio	The term "age-appropriate transition assessment" means:		
Transition IEP Flowchart	 The assessment should be appropriate for any student that chronological age. It should not be based on their "functioning level". For example, a 15-year old should not receive an 		
Transition Individual Education Plan Factsheet	 assessment that is meant or designed for a 10-year-old. The assessment should be individualized and linked to the student's postsecondary goals. Transition assessment is an <i>ongoing</i> process. 		
Building a Transition Based IEP Worksheet	Things to know about transition assessments:		
PDF	One or two assessments do not give enough information.		
Age Appropriate Transition Assessments	Interviews should not be the only type of assessment done.		
What About Students with 504 Plans?	Why are transition assessments done? It's the law! Transition assessments are required by IDEA.		
	Assessments are used to develop postsecondary goals by showing the IEP team (including the		
Planning / Evaluation - Dr. James Williams	NEXT →		

Planning / Evaluation - Dr. James Williams

Top 10 Mistakes to Avoid in Transition Planning / Evaluation - Dr. James Williams

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Top 10 Mistakes to Avoid in Transition Planning Resource

Assessing Life Skills

Life Skills Checklist PDF

Transfer of Rights

Graduation Requirements and Diploma Options in South Carolina 디 AUDIO

South Carolina Postsecondary Educational or Training Options for Students with Disabilities

- Discussion Time

Helpful Contacts

DOWNLOAD



Dr. James Williams works in the field of Transition Evaluation and Planning through Bloom Consulting in Texas.

He is also an individual diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder and understands transition planning from his own perspective as a self-advocate.

In his presentation below, he shares what he sees as the top 10 mistakes to avoid in transition planning and evaluation. At the end of his presentation, he also shares a list of transition assessments that he finds helpful in his work.

Top 10 MistakesstorAvoid# Transition Blanning/Eyalard Students Actual Functioning



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 Goals based solely on the student's or family's hopes, dreams, and/or interests without considering the student's current academic, physical, mental, or intellectual functioning.

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In Spanish Trainings

PART 2



Evaluaciones de Transición Apropiadas para la Edad Sesión Dos: Bienvenida 🖾 AUDIO Lo que Usted Verá a Continuación 🖾 AUDIO ▶ 0:00 / 2:06 — •D : Diagrama de Flujo del IEP de Transición PDF PDF Evaluaciones de Transición Apropiadas para la Edad Elaboración de una Hoja de Trabajo del IEP Las evaluaciones de transición son vitales para una planificación de la transición adecuada . Brindan Basada en la Transición información que ayuda a guiar el resto del proceso de transición del IEP. PDF PDF Una vez que un estudiante con un IEP alcanza la edad de transición (que varía según cada estado, ¿Qué pasa con los estudiantes con Planes pero debe ser antes de los 16 años), se deben realizar "evaluaciones de transición apropiadas para la 504? edad" al menos una vez al año. Estas evaluaciones ayudan a proporcionar datos sobre las fortalezas < AUDIO y necesidades académicas y funcionales de un niño, así como sus intereses y los resultados Evaluaciones de Transición Apropiadas deseados al terminar la escuela secundaria. para la Edad El término "evaluación de transición apropiada para la edad" significa: 🖾 AUDIO • La evaluación debe ser apropiada para cualquier estudiante de esa edad cronológica. No debe Los 10 Errores Principales Que Se Deben basarse en su "nivel de funcionamiento". Por ejemplo, un niño de 15 años no debe recibir una Evitar en la Planificancion de Transicion evaluación destinada o diseñada para un niño de 10 años. PDF PDF • La evaluación debe ser individualizada y vinculada a las metas postsecundarias del Lista de Verficacion de Habilidades para la estudiante. • La evaluación de la transición es un proceso continuo. Vida PDF PDF PDF Cosas que debe saber sobre las evaluaciones de transición: Evaluando Habilidades para la Vida Una o dos evaluaciones no dan suficiente información. 🖾 AUDIO Transferencia de Derechos NEXT \rightarrow -1

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PART 3

Student Training



Independent Futures That Work

Region B-2 Supporting Youth and Young Adults with Disabilities throughout Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma



Website

<u>https://www.independentfuturesthatwork.com/</u>





Tipsheets

- Independent Living, Here We Come! is a checklist that youth and young adults with disabilities and their caregivers can use to keep track of independent living skills that have been mastered and those that still need to be taught and developed.
- <u>https://www.independentfuturesthatwork.com/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/2022/03/Independent-Living-Here-We-Come-v3-</u> <u>3-1.pdf</u>



Preparing for independent living is an exciting time in any youth's journey towards adulthood. For youth with disabilities, that time can also be filled with questions and challenges. This checklist can help identify skills necessary to live as independently as possible given each youth's unique needs and challenges. Use this checklist to look at different skills necessary for independent living, to assess where a youth with disabilities currently stands, and identify what skills still need to be worked on in order to achieve some level of independence. Depending on ability levels, some of the higher-level skills may not be able to be obtained by all youth with disabilities.



Self-Care/Clothing Care Skills Skills needed to take care of one's body and clothing

Establishes a morning hygiene routine Establishes a bedtime routine Uses restroom appropriately, including hand washing Showers/bathes with soap Keeps personal possessions secure (i.e., wallets, phones, keys, money, etc.) Chooses clean, appropriate clothes to wear based on weather and occasion Asks for help when needed Knows importance of using deodorant Sorts laundry Operates washer and dryer appropriately with detergent, fabric softener, and lint removal from dryer Folds and puts away clean laundry

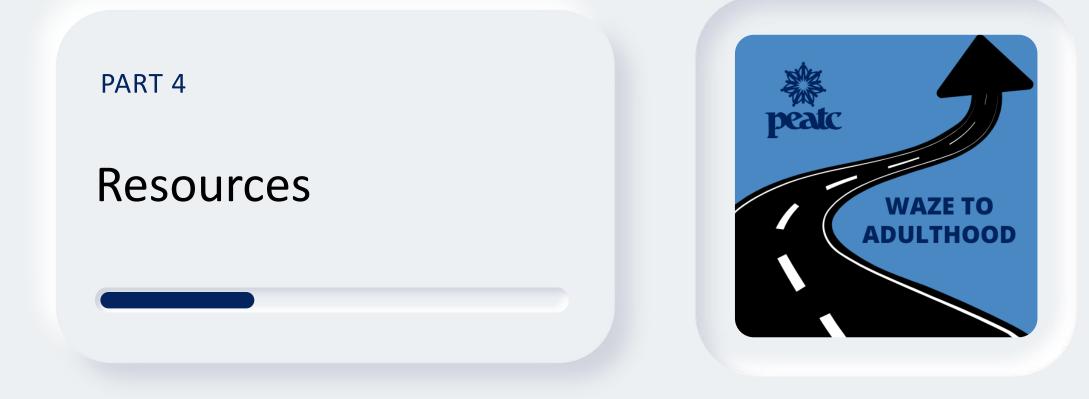
Insurance Skills Skills needed to protect one's self and possessions

 Understands the different types of insurance available (i.e., health, home, renters, automobile, etc.)
 Understands coverage for any policies owned





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TOP 10 MISTAKES TO AVOID IN TRANSITION PLANNING

Goals are too broad

Goals don't include the specific steps a student needs to take to meet that goal. Example: Bob will go to college when he graduates.

Goals are too specific 2

Goals focus on a minute detail which may not have an impact on what the student needs. Example: Jannette will not wear blue clothing more than 3 days in a week.

Goals disregard student's actual functioning Goals need to be challenging, but should also be

relevant/realistic based on their current academic, physical, or cognitive challenges.

Example: Clark wants to be a brain surgeon but has a 3rd grade reading level at age 14 and would most likely not be able to pass the entrance exam. In this case, the team may want to further explore why Clark wants to be a brain surgeon and what the alternatives may be that still involve his interests.

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TRANSITION IEP CHECKLIST

The following is a checklist for parents to review when developing their child's Transition IEP. The items in red are required under Regulations Governing Special Education Services in Virginia (https://doe.virginia.gov/special_ed/regulations/state/regs_speced_disability_va.pdf). Items not included in regulations are considered best practice. For more information, consult the regulations or contact PEATC at 800-869-6782.

assessments

MEETING NOTICE

- family and student could understand. Meeting is scheduled at a mutually agreeable time and place. The student and family have the opportunity to ask questions about the
- Advance notice of the meeting is provided.
- The student is invited to the meeting.
- The meeting notice states that the purpose of the meeting is for transition planning.

BEFORE THE MEETING

- Parent consent is obtained to invite outside agencies, if appropriate. The student's goals and dreams are identified through a person-centered purpose.
- planning process.
- The student knows their role at the IEP meeting and can participate in some way, even if they cannot attend in person.
- The student, family and IEP team are familiar with available community
 Assessment results are included in the PLAAFP and explained.

AS THE MEETING BEGINS

- The IEP Team includes the following members:
- A representative of the school division (usually a special education
- administrator) who can commit school division resources Related services staff
- If appropriate, the IEP team includes the following members: Student (required to be invited) • Any invited outside agencies
- The parents and school division consent in writing to the excusal of any required team member and the member provided their input in
- writing before the meeting.

Peate Health Care Transition Skills Checklist

ing and trying out life skills is an important step for students as they plan for moving into adulthood. The Health Care Transition Checklist can help youth and young adults (ages es, and IEP Team, build health care transition skills. If a youth or young adult can't fill out this form, they can complete it with the help of their family/caregiver. The list below doe

PLEASE CHECK THE BOX NEXT TO THE ANSWER THAT BEST APPLIES RIGHT NOW.

HEALTH CARE SKILLS	Can Do Already	Needs More Practice	Plan to Start	Ongoing Support Needed	N/A
Can name your disability, learning difference, medical, or mental health diagnosis (example: diabetes, depression)					
Can name 2-3 people who can help with your health needs in an emergency					
Prepares questions to ask before a doctor's visit					
Asks the doctor's office for accommodations, as needed					
Knows how to get to doctor's office					
Makes your doctors' appointments					
Has a list of the medicine(s) you take					
Knows how much of medicine(s) to take					
Knows when to take medicine(s)					
Can read and follow medicine direction labels					
Requests refills on medicine, as needed					
Has a list of medicine allergies					
Has a list of food allergies					
Carries health information every day (example: health insurance card, emergency phone numbers)					
Knows the name(s) of your doctor(s)					
Knows how to contact your doctor(s)					



The student participated in the discussion of their post-secondary goals. The postsecondary goals are over-arching (big) goals for what the student

The IEP team reviews the results of the assessments in a way that the

PRESENT LEVEL OF ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT &

If the student is not attending the IEP meeting, the school took steps to ensure that the student's interests and preferences are considered

The student and the family are given the opportunity to talk to about

The PLAAFP describes the student's strengths, preferences, and needs.

non-academic performance and needs (such as health, motor skills,

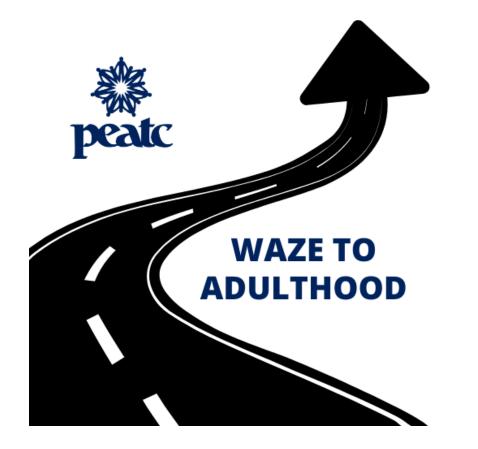
their desires and concerns OR time is set aside on the agenda for this

FUNCTIONAL PERFORMANCE (PLAAFP)

The PLAAFP addresses how the student's disability affects their involvement and progress in the general curriculum.

The PLAAFP describes academic performance and needs and

or younger if the IEP team thinks it's appropriate.



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MIDWESTERN COLLABORATIVE

Beth Larson-Steckler youth@pathfinder-nd.org

The Midwestern Collaborative's Goals Are To:

- ensure PTI centers are equipped with the necessary knowledge of VR and CIL services, enabling centers to work with service professionals
- maintaining a resource repository for shared information for all regional PTI centers
- building and maintaining collaborative connections throughout states with VR, CILs and stakeholder agencies and entities
- networking regionally to learn from one another related to successful activities and "how to" presentations empowering sister center to replicate





Training & Resources

Completed or In-Process:

- \circ All about VR
 - Webinar
 - Brochure
 - FAQ

o All about CILs

- Webinar
- Brochure
- FAQ
- Secondary Transition Acronyms & Definitions

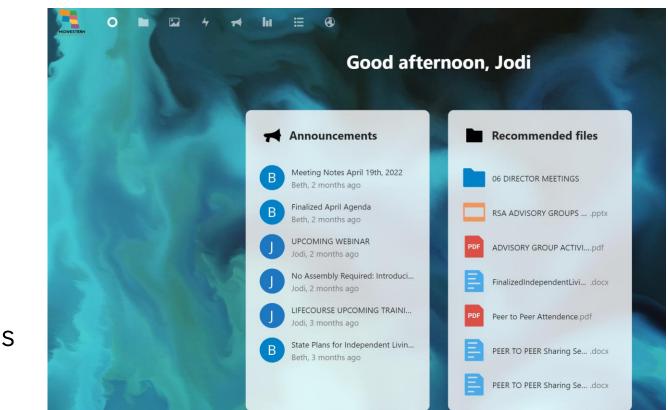
Resources are available to email or mail out upon request



Resource Repository

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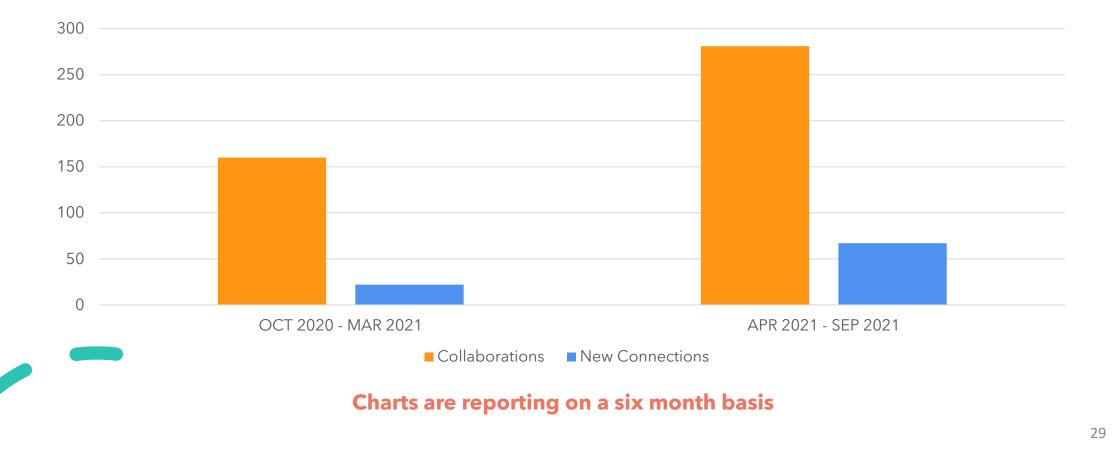
- o Shared regional files
 - Curriculum
 - Resources
 - Presentations & PPTs
 - Marketing
 - State's VR plans
 - Upcoming PD events
 - Meeting notices & notes
 - Reporting forms



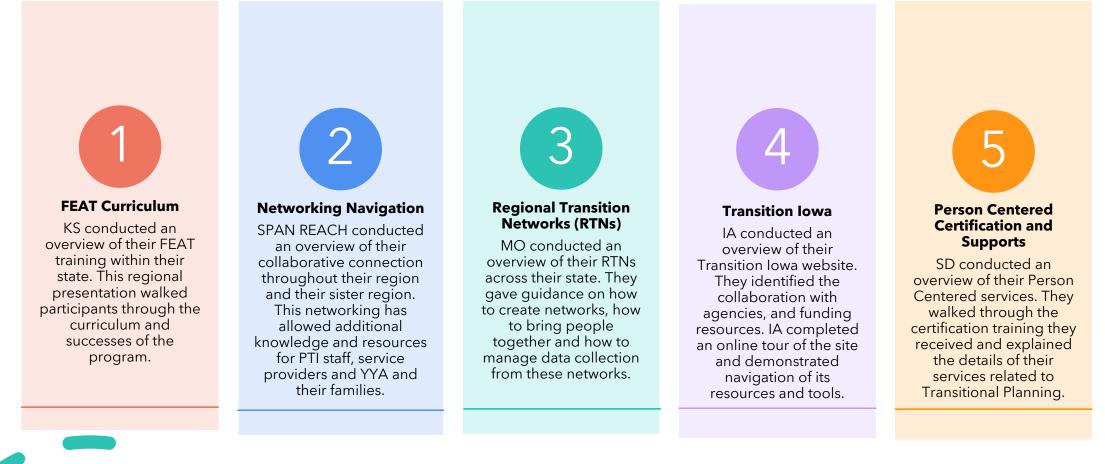


Collaborative Connections

State PTIs report collaborative efforts with stakeholders on a quarterly basis. 45% of regional PTIs had under 5 collaboration connections beginning October 2020.



State PTI Presentations – SUCCESSFUL ACTIVITIES







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Project Launch 2022 Resource Highlights



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Video: The Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE)

- 13-minute excerpt of a RAISE video
- Features Amy Scherer of the National Disability Rights Network providing information on the IPE.
- This was from a longer RAISE webinar funded by the Rehabilitation Services Administration.

https://www.youtube.com/embed/nMlSKnHHTbA?rel=0& amp;wmode=transparent





PACER's National Parent Center on Transition and Employment

Project Launch Partner Resources

- Project Launch partners at each of our Region's PTIs have developed products on • their Center of Expertise topics
- Links to all 8 current resources are available online at

https://www.pacer.org/project-launch/partner-resources.asp



PACER's tional Parent Center on **Fransition and Employment**

Blog: Why Self-Advocacy is Important

Each month Family Matters Parent Training and Information **Center** hosts a **Blog post** written by Bridget Brown.

Bridget Brown, a young woman with Down syndrome, travels the country as an inspirational, public speaker. She speaks to audiences of students, teachers, parents, and administrators.

https://selfadvocacyrocksfmptic.blogspot.com/



Publication: Transition IEP Checklist

- This <u>Transition IEP Checklist</u> was developed by Wisconsin FACETS. It contains general, non-state-specific information about transition and the transition IEP. <u>https://regioncptac.org/sites/default/files/Transition-IEP-Checklist_Revised_211212.pdf</u>
- There is also a brief <u>guide</u> for users who want to customize it for their own state.





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Check this out:

The Enabled Disabled

Check out The Enabled Disabled by Gustavo Serafini, <u>here</u>. The podcast highlights individuals with disabilities and their experiences in the world.

Click below to go through and listen to all of their episodes.



Coming Soon: Region D1 website



IN THIS NEWSLETTER

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE RESOURCES

FEATURED PARENT CENTERS

REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

TRANSITION RESOURCES

Transition Hub Newsletter



LINKS provides support for families in remote villages in Alaska. They assist with the IEP process, advocacy, and meeting support. Check out LINKS' YouTube channel for a variety of training videos for families and youth.



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Parent Centers Hawaii



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School Readiness Project (SRP)

The SRP of LDAH helps families by providing developmental, social-emotional, hearing, vision, and autism screenings for children ages 0 - 8.



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Partners in the Pacific







American Samoa

The 93KHJ radio station provides information on resources for youth with disabilities and other relevant information for Samoan communities.



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CNMI

The Division of Youth Services of CNMI partners with Joeten-Kiyu Public Library to provide innovative resources to underserved families with youth with disabilities of the Commonwealth.



Transition Hub Newsletter

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Youth Voice by Theo Petuel M. Terrado

When my Mom asked me if I would be interested in sharing my transition story, the first three words that came to my mind were: independence, responsibility, and citizenship. So, I agreed and started writing.

On Independence

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I am turning 13 in July and will be an 8th grader in the fall. I now walk around campus on my own, no Registered Behavior Technician (RBT) trailing behind me. An RBT is an adult who supports students with behavior, communication, social, and/or life skill issues. That means I used to check all those qualities. Looking back, I realized they were all connected. I would have behavior issues because I did not know how to communicate my needs, and then some students would do me wrong, then I would retaliate or cry because I did not know how to process my emotions. I am still learning, but as I grow older and learn to communicate, behaviors become a non-issue, and Mom agreed to a fade plan for my RBT. My last RBT slowly left me – he used to be with me 5 days a week, then it became 4 days a week, then 3 days, then 2 days, until one day, we had to say goodbye. I wrote a thank you card for him and while I was sad, I was also happy. I am now independent, just like any other student on campus. I thought that was a good thing.

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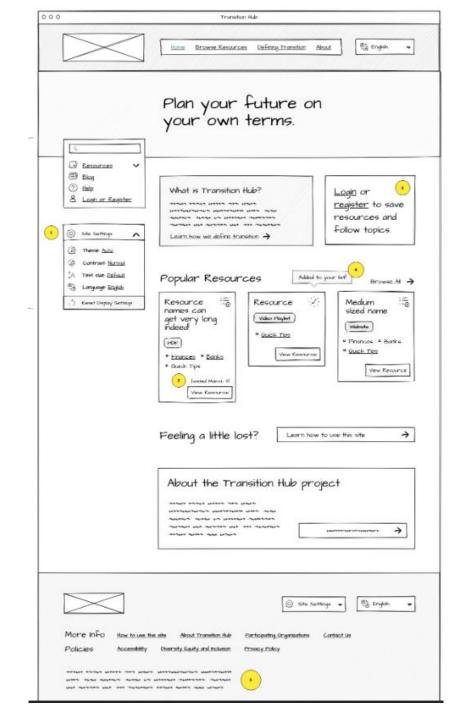


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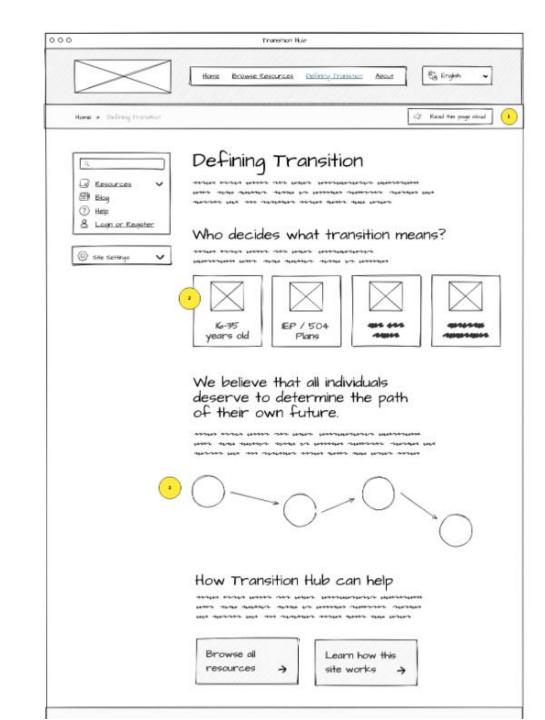
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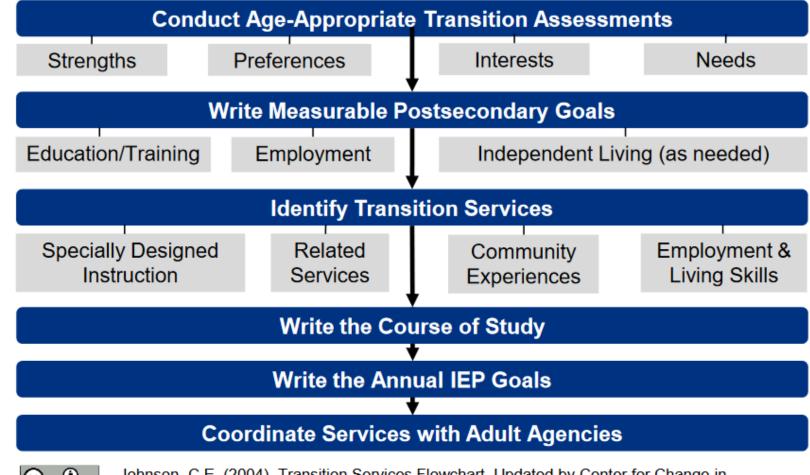


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Multilingual Transition Flow Charts

CCTS Transition Services Flowchart





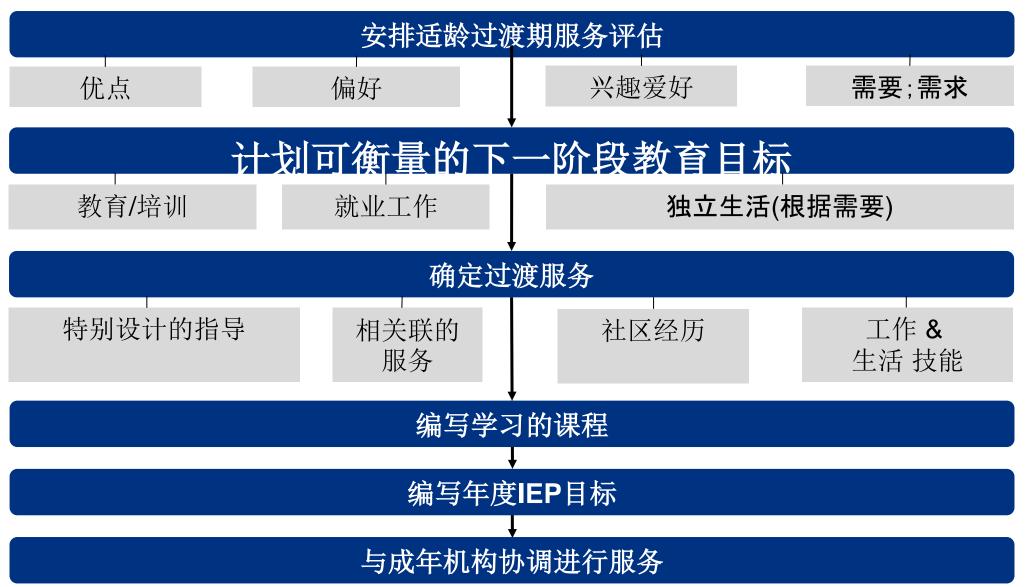
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Project **POWER**

Resources to Share

Project POWER has teamed with Raising Special Kids and Diverse Ability Incorporated for a training series entitled, 'Best Practices for Youth Engagement: A Pathway for Organizations'.

This Infosheet shares pieces of the series in small digestible portions.

Best Practices for Youth Engagement





SESSION ONE

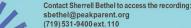
BEST PRACTICES FOR YOUTH ENGAGEMENT: A PATHWAY FOR ORGANIZATIONS

Project POWER has teamed with Raising Special Kids and Diverse Ability Incorporated for a training series entitled, 'Best Practices for Youth Engagement: A Pathway for Organizations'.

Developed and facilitated by Arizona Youth Leaders from Diverse Ability Incorporated, the training is designed to assistorganizations in establishing and maintaining successful youth leadership and engagement opportunities. In Part 1 of the series, Arizona Youth Leaders covered the following important points for organizations to consider when engaging youth and young adults:

- Foundational Principles for Meaningful Youth Engagement
 - Nothing About Us, Without Us!
 - No Value In Tokens
 - <u>Sky High and Straight Ahead</u>
 - Set The Stage And Create A Playing Space
 - <u>Respectful Elders</u>
 - Humor Happens
 - Teamwork And Timework
- Youth Advisory Community Purpose, Structure, Development
 Tipsfrom Youth to You: Expectations of a Youth Advisory Community and its
 Operations

IF YOU, OR MEMBERS OF YOUR ORGANIZATION, MISSED THIS GREAT EVENT YOU ARE NOT OUT OF LUCK!



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TIPS FROM YOUTH TO YOU

EXPECTATIONS OF A YOUTH ADVISORY COMMUNITY AND ITS OPERATIONS

- A community for youth, by youth with youth priorities
- Inclusive and representational of diverse communities
- It has a lot of energy behind it with big, bold voices
- Youth are the driving force for discussion, decision making, and generating ideas.
- All members are young people with the necessary lived experiences for the position they are in.

Project Power, a project of PEAK Parent Center, Inc., is reported by the US Department of Education's Rehabilitation Service Administration. The contents of this resource were developed under a cooperative agreement with the US Department of Education (H235F20006). However, the contents do not necessarily represent the policy of the Department of Education and should not assume endorsement by the federal government.







Resource: Assistive Technology PowerPoint



Resource: Imagining A Great Life for Your Child PPT

Region D2 Resource Collection



Helping Families Helping Children

Resource: Know Your Rights -Voting PPT Region D2 Resource Collection is a collection of resources that will allow parent centers to expand the capacity and services they provide to families without spending valuable hours creating something new.





Thank you!

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