

Transition Timeline

Ages 12 - 14

- Begin transition conversations at school
- Identify strengths and goals
- Include individual in conversations with providers
- If you have not already done so, apply to county board of developmental disabilities.

Ages 16 - 17

- Evaluate guardianship or Power of Attorney options
- Re-evaluate post secondary goals and options (military, education, employment)
- Ensure documents are in order (Birth Certificate, state ID, License, etc.)

Age 18 +

- Complete Power of Attorney paperwork
- Benefits Analysis (school, Board of DD, OOD, etc)
- Apply for Social Security as an adult
- Apply for Medicaid
- Register to vote
- If an adult male, register for the draft.
- Review health insurance benefits regarding extended coverage
- Explore independent living options
- Gather documentation to confirm disability to adult service providers
- Transition to adult medical providers

Ages 14 - 16

- Contact OOD
- Consider including adult services providers in the IEP team.
- Attend transition fairs & meetings to learn about services
- Consider transportation options (public transit, driver's license, etc)
- Board of DD re-evaluation
- Explore adult transition for medical care (Gynecology for females)
- Consider sexual & social development for education and medical needs
- Investigate post-secondary options (school district services, day programs, military service).
- Obtain a state ID.
- Start exploring options for adult medical care.

Ages 17 - 21

- Graduation/post - secondary track confirmed
- Investigate transportation options for work or vocational rehabilitation, if needed.
- Evaluate financial literacy and goals.