Learn about the transition to adult life for youth with disabilities and special health care needs. This training covers the role of schools, long-term supports, public benefits, the change to adult health care, supported decision making options and other legal options, advocacy, employment, housing and living, the basics of self-determination, and imagining community life. There is also a resource list, copy of the slides and a recorded presentation of What’s After High School? in English and Spanish at https://familyvoiceswi.org/learn/#whats-after-high-school.

Transition Talks Tuesdays is a partnership with the Columbus School District Transition Program and Children’s Resource Center-South.

Feedback form: https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2lszFnR2wlxQYn4

Resources from the Chat

- Transition Talks Tuesdays: https://crcsouth.waisman.wisc.edu/transition-talks-tuesdays-columbus/
- Children’s Resource Center South: https://crcsouth.waisman.wisc.edu/
- Family Voices of Wisconsin: https://familyvoiceswi.org/
- Family Voices WI slides and resource sheets for What’s After High School: https://familyvoiceswi.org/learn/#whats-after-high-school

- Info on Post Secondary Transition Plan: https://witig.org/
- Section 115.807(4), Wis. Statutes, which was created through 2017 Wisconsin Act 345, requires local education agencies (LEAs) to provide students and their parents with information on supported decision-making under Chapter 52 of the Wisconsin Statutes, other alternatives to guardianship, and strategies to remain engaged in the student’s secondary education. This memorandum answers questions related to supported decision-making agreements to assist LEAs in providing this information to students and their families. https://dpi.wi.gov/sped/laws-procedures-bulletins/bulletins/19-01
- From the DPI Bulletin: 8. How should supported decision-making agreements be included when the student reaches the age of 18?

When a student with a disability, other than a student with a disability who has been adjudicated incompetent, reaches the age of 18, the LEA must notify the adult student and their parents of the transfer of rights. In addition, the LEA must provide the adult student and their parents with information on supported decision-making agreements, other alternatives to guardianship, and strategies to remain engaged in the adult student’s secondary education (Wis. Stats. §115.807[4]).

- Supported Decision Making information from the Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities: https://wi-bpdd.org/index.php/supporteddecisionmaking/
- Voting Information: https://disabilityvote.org/
- Supported decision making fact sheet: https://familyvoiceswi.org/resource-library/supported-decision-making-for-transition-age-youth/?seq_no=2
- Supported Decision Making Form (WI): https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forms/f02377.docx
Guardianship resources from Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR): [https://gwaar.org/guardianship-resources](https://gwaar.org/guardianship-resources)

Guardianship Flowchart: [https://gwaar.org/api/cms/viewFile/id/2004351](https://gwaar.org/api/cms/viewFile/id/2004351)

Guardianship information from the WI Law Library: [https://wilawlibrary.gov/topics/familylaw/guardian.php](https://wilawlibrary.gov/topics/familylaw/guardian.php)

Guardianship booklet from WI Dept. of Health Services: [https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p2/p20460.pdf](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p2/p20460.pdf)

Confidential Information release -- generic: [https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/library/F-82009.htm](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/library/F-82009.htm)


How to apply for Medicaid in Wisconsin (Forward Health, BadgerCare, BadgerCare Plus): [https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forwardhealth/apply.htm](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forwardhealth/apply.htm)

What is a special needs or disability trust? (Wispect): [https://www.wispect.org/what-is-a-trust/](https://www.wispect.org/what-is-a-trust/)

Wisconsin Youth Health Transition Initiative: [https://healthtransitionwi.org/](https://healthtransitionwi.org/)

National resources on youth health transition: [https://www.gottransition.org/youth-and-young-adults/](https://www.gottransition.org/youth-and-young-adults/)

WI Paths to Graduation: [https://dpi.wi.gov/graduation/paths](https://dpi.wi.gov/graduation/paths)

Students over 18: [https://dpi.wi.gov/wisedata/help/portal/uncommon-situations/students-over-18](https://dpi.wi.gov/wisedata/help/portal/uncommon-situations/students-over-18)

WI Transition Improvement Grant: [https://witig.org/transition-planning/transition-programming-beyond-age-18/](https://witig.org/transition-planning/transition-programming-beyond-age-18/)

Apprenticeship in WI: [https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/apprenticeship/](https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/apprenticeship/)

Project Search in WI: [https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/programs/project-search/](https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/programs/project-search/)

Department of Vocational Rehabilitation (employment): [https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/job-seekers/transition/transition-students.htm](https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/job-seekers/transition/transition-students.htm)

Wisconsin Technical College System: [https://www.wtcsystem.edu/](https://www.wtcsystem.edu/)


Independent Living Centers (ILC) -- community based resources and information staffed by people with disabilities: [https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disabilities/physical/ilcs-contact.htm](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disabilities/physical/ilcs-contact.htm)

Independent Living Center: [https://www.ilresources.org/](https://www.ilresources.org/)

Columbia County ILC: [https://www.accesstoind.org/](https://www.accesstoind.org/)


Find your ADRC: [https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/adrc/index.htm](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/adrc/index.htm)

Transitioning from the Children’s Waiver to the Adult Waiver: [https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/clts/waiver/transition/transitiontoadult.htm](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/clts/waiver/transition/transitiontoadult.htm)
• Adult Long-term Care Functional Screen: [https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forms/f0/f00366.pdf](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forms/f0/f00366.pdf)
• Family Care: [https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/familycare/index.htm](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/familycare/index.htm)
• Medicaid: [https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/index.htm](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/index.htm)
• Supplemental Security Income (SSI): [https://www.ssa.gov/benefits/ssi/](https://www.ssa.gov/benefits/ssi/)
• Social Security and Disability (SSDI): [https://www.ssa.gov/disabilityresearch/wi/generalinfo.htm](https://www.ssa.gov/disabilityresearch/wi/generalinfo.htm)
• SSA Representative Payee: [https://www.ssa.gov/payee/](https://www.ssa.gov/payee/)
• Working and receiving SSI benefits: [https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/benefit-specialists/work-incentives.htm](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/benefit-specialists/work-incentives.htm)
• Specialist in Work Incentives: [https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/benefit-specialists/index.htm](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/benefit-specialists/index.htm)

• Resources to help plan out having a meaningful life: [http://www.lifecoursetools.com/](http://www.lifecoursetools.com/)