



Transition Planning for Students Aged 14 and Up

Preparing for Life after
High School: Presented
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- Why transition planning matters for students aged 14 and up
- Federal and state requirements
- Overview of topics to be covered

The Importance of Early Transition Planning

- Starting early: why age 14 is crucial for future planning
- Benefits of a long-term approach
- How transition planning sets students up for success after high school

Key Areas of Transition Planning

- Education and Training
- Employment
- Independent Living
- Community Participation



The IEP and Transition Planning

- Transition planning as part of the IEP from age 14
- How to align IEP goals with transition goals
- Examples of measurable post-secondary goals in the IEP



The Role of the Student

- Self-advocacy:
Helping your child
take ownership of
their future

- Encouraging
students to lead
their own IEP
meetings

- Understanding
strengths,
interests, and areas
for development

The Role of Parents

- Supporting career and education exploration

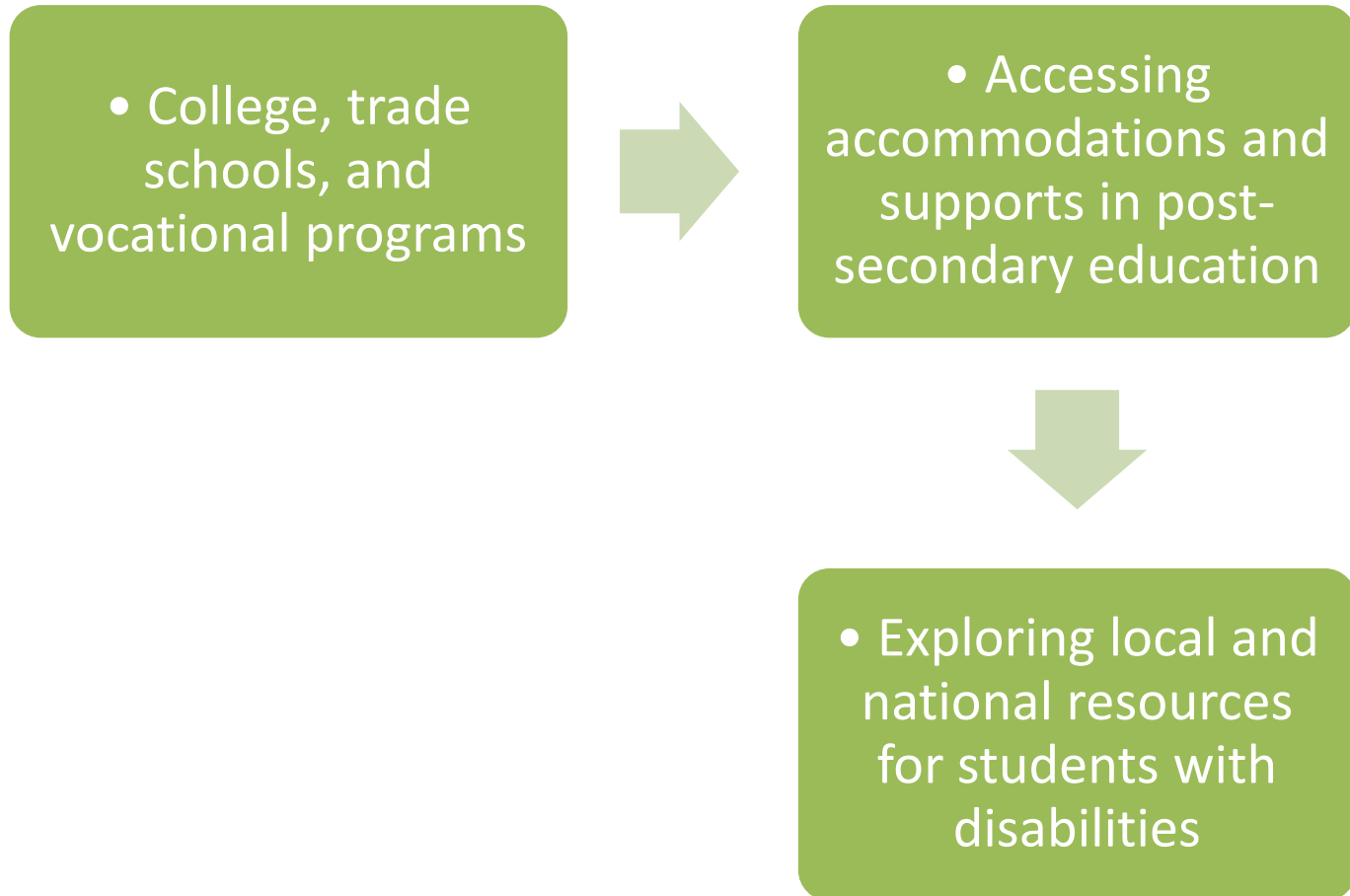
- Involvement in decision-making and IEP meetings

- Encouraging independence at home and in the community

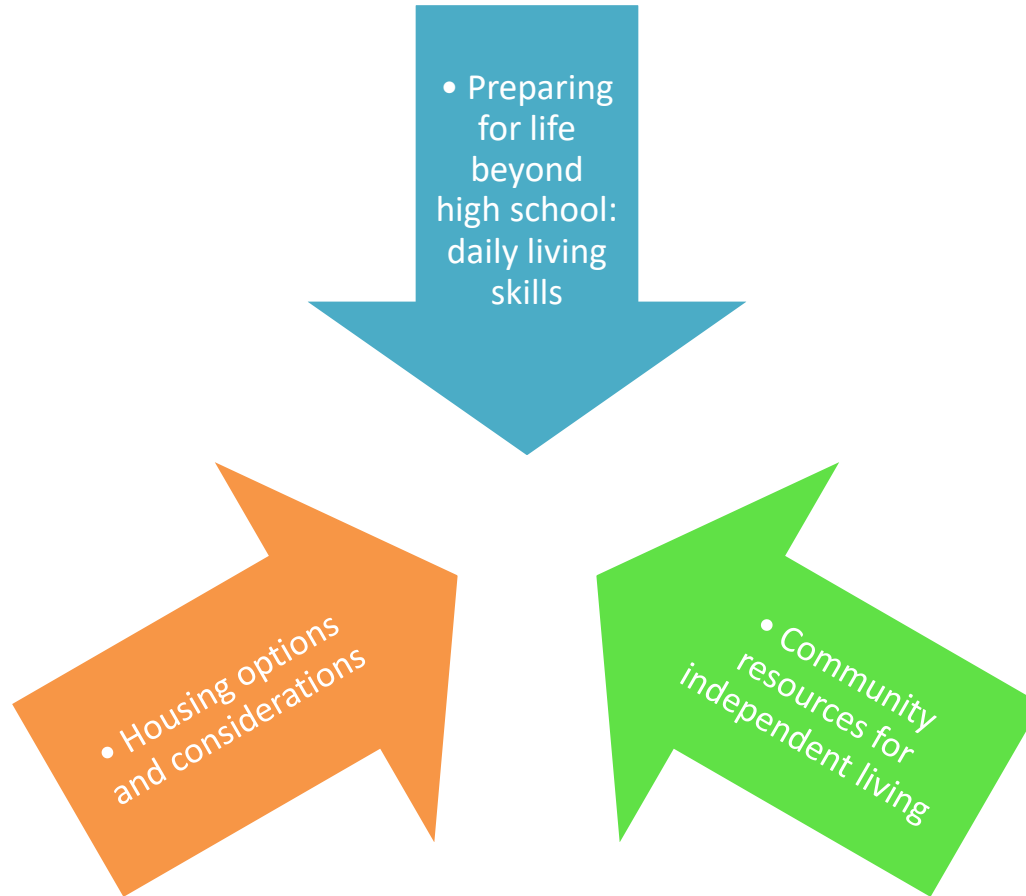
Career Preparation and Employment

- Tools for career exploration
- Options for work-based learning: internships, part-time jobs, and job shadowing
- Accessing job training and support through vocational rehabilitation

Post-Secondary Education Options



Independent Living Skills



Community Involvement and Recreation

- Importance of building social networks

- Accessible recreational activities and programs

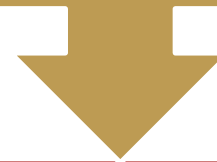
- Volunteering as a path to employment and community connection

Adult Services and Agency Involvement

- Overview of adult service agencies



- Transition from school-based to adult services



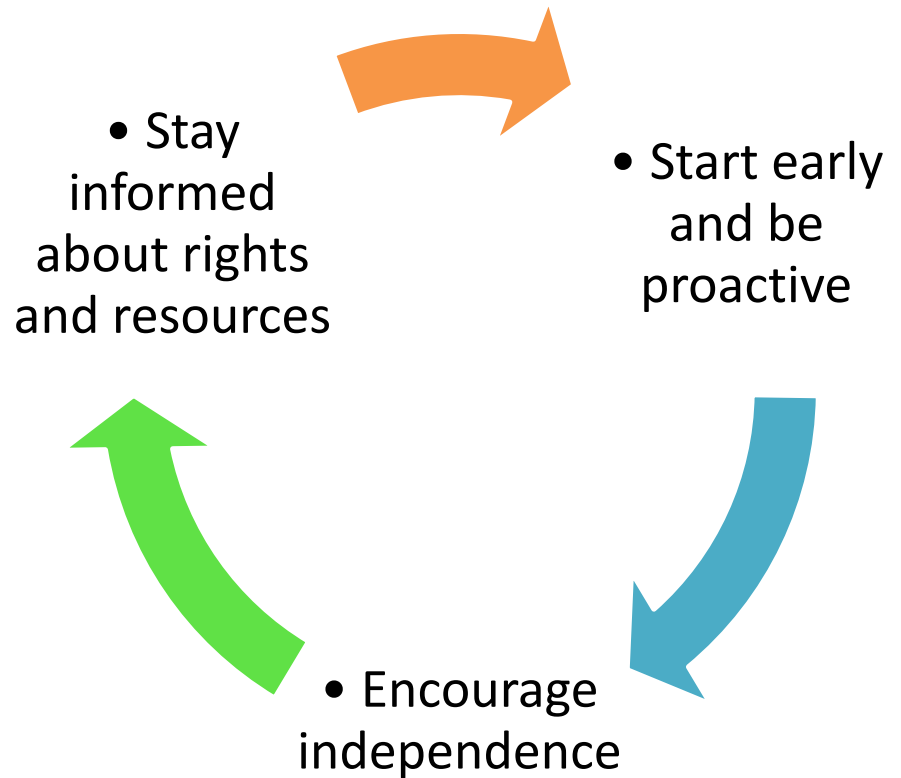
- Resources for connecting with local agencies

Timeline for Transition Planning

- Milestones at ages 14-16, 17-18, and 19-21

- Key transition activities at each stage

Tips for Parents

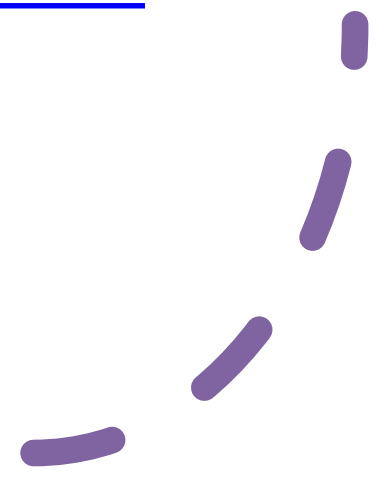


Resources for Parents

- Websites, organizations, and local agencies
- Suggested readings for further guidance



Q&A

- Any questions please contact Dr. Keegan
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