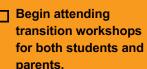


Transition Timeline

Contact Us: info@arcofmonmouth.org | 732-493-1919 ext. 122



Ages 14-15



- ☐ Provide opportunities to practice decisionmaking skills, independence, and self-
- and job shadow experiences.
- assessments and develop IEP goals.
- Work with the student to create a vision for career, living arrangement, hobbies



Ages 16-17



Age 18





Ages 18-21



Graduation Year

- parents.
- advocacy.
- Begin exploring career options with volunteer
- Conduct transition
- their future education. or activities, and more.

- ☐ Continue developing a transition plan.
- ☐ Be sure to focus IEP goals on all skill areas and prepare student for post-secondary plans.
- ☐ Consider job experience or regular volunteer work to build job skills.
- ☐ Continue practicing selfadvocacy.
- ☐ Learn more about quardianship, social security insurance (SSI), employment, housing needs, recreation, and other services available in your area.
- ☐ Discuss graduation timeline.

NOTE: DDD services do NOT begin until age 21.

- ☐ Ensure IEP goals focus on post-school outcomes.
- ☐ Complete legal guardianship process if determined to be appropriate.
- ☐ Apply for SSI/Medicaid.
- ☐ Apply for a photo ID through NJ Motor Vehicle Commission if you do not already have one.
- Register to vote.
- **☐** Males must register for Selective Service within 30 days of your 18th birthday.
- ☐ Apply for Access Link and Reduced NJ Transit Fare Card.
- ☐ Continue building employment skills and expanding social network.

- ☐ Attend transition fairs.
- ☐ Two years prior to graduation, the Child Study Team should refer the student to NJ **Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services** (DVRS).
- ☐ Conduct a vocational assessment.
- ☐ Use the Person-**Centered Planning Tool** that can be found at www.nj.gov to determine post-secondary goals and future plans.
- ☐ Begin to visit service providers and programs to better understand available options.
- ☐ Research support coordination agencies.

- ☐ Ensure DDD eligibility.
- ☐ Ensure Medicaid eligibility if you have not already.
- Complete and submit the **Support Coordination** Agency Form to DDD.
- ☐ Along with your support coordinator, develop an **Individualized Service** Plan (NJISP).
- *The NJISP should be done before graduation to ensure supports are in place.*