Special Needs Planning Workbook



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Introduction

This is a guide to capture important details about your family and your child. As a loving parent, you understand the changing needs of your children better than anyone. Let this be a resource to periodically update all little and big details that are so important to understanding your family dynamics. You do not have to share this document. This is for your records only. Or you can leave this a working journal to include with your will. Should something happen to you or your spouse, this guide can help others to be sensitive to the needs and preferences of your child. Please use one book per child. Additional copies are available upon request.

Biographical and Personal Information

Child's Information

Full Name	Date of Birth
Home Address	
(Address, City,	State, ZIP Code)
Home telephone	Social Security number
Date of adoption (if applicable)	Date of citizenship (if applicable)
Religious preference	
Place of worship (include contact information and addre	ess)
Services attended or involvement	
Why this is important:	
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Emotional Factors

Create the Vision

What is the vision that you have of your child's life with you?
What is the vision that you have of your child's life without you?
What is your vision of the role of your child's guardian? What do you expect him or her to do for your child?
What is your vision for the role of your child's trustee? How should he or she make financial decisions?
What is your vision for the role of your child's trust advisor? How should he or she best help the trustee?
What is your vision for the potential relationship of all of your children?
What are the family traditions you wish to always be continued?
What personal thoughts would you care to share with future caregivers?

Medical Information

Overview of Current Medical Information and Concerns

Please use additional paper if needed.

Insurance, Physicians, and Specialists

Insurance information

Health insurance company and policy number:
Subscriber:
Dental insurance information and policy number:
Insurance coverage through parent/child/guardian/other:
Other health insurance information (e.g., Medicaid):
Subscriber:
Prescription drug coverage information:
Vision insurance information and policy number::
Physician information
Name of primary care physician:
Telephone:
Address:
(Address, City, State, ZIP Code)
Approximate frequency of visits:
Note any tests and immunizations and their frequency (e.g., flu shots, thyroid testing):
Additional information:
Dentist information
Name of dentist:
Telephone:
Address:
(Address, City, State, ZIP Code)
Specialty or affiliated hospital:
Approximate frequency of visits:
Note any tests and their frequency:

Additional information:	
Specialist information	
Name of specialist:	
Telephone:	
Address:	
(,	Address, City, State, ZIP Code)
Specialty or affiliated hospital:	
Approximate frequency of visits:	
Note any tests and their frequency:	
Additional information:	
Vision information	
Name of Optometrist:	
Telephone:	
Address:	
	Address, City, State, ZIP Code)
Specialty or affiliated hospital:	
Does your child wear glasses or contact:	
How often do they visit the optometrist::	
Additional information:	
Pharmacy	
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Address:	Address, City, State, ZIP Code)

Preferred Hospital for Emergency Treatment Name of hospital: _____ Address:_____ (Address, City, State, ZIP Code) Medications, Health, and Related Information Allergies (e.g., medical, environmental) and required treatments) Medical facilities (include medical record numbers if necessary) Medications—prescription drugs_____ Medications—nonprescription drugs (including vitamin supplements) The best ways to give your child medications are... Other important medical information_____

Personality Traits and Preferences

Describe what living with your child is like
Basic characteristics and personality
Abilities and skills in reading and writing
Abilities and skills in financial matters (money skills)
Abilities and skills in household chores
Abilities and skills in other areas
Abilities und skills in other dreds
Sleeping habits
Safety issues
Explain any issues your child has in being able to identify an unsafe situation or individual

Sensory issues
Provide suggestions to address any sensory issues or challenges
Behavior issues
Provide suggestions to address any behavioral challenges
If you have to contact one or two people to help you on the above, who would they be?
What is most important to your child about his or her personality?
What is most important to you about your child's personality?
Preferences
Preferred setting and/or environment (rural or city, large or small house
Favorite places to visit

Hobbies and interests			
Favorite entertainment _			
Favorite colors and patte	rns		
What is most important to	your child about his	or her preferences?	
		's preferences?	
Clothing and Shoe S	izes		
Article of clothing	<u>Size</u>	Article of clothing	<u>Size</u>
Pants/shorts		Shirt/blouse	
Skirt/dress		Shoes	
Coat		Hat	
Gloves		Underwear	
Other:			

Personal Care Information

Physical Abilities

Communication skills
Physical mobility
Hearing ability
Eyesight
Special equipment
What is most important to your child about his or her physical abilities?
What is most important to you about your child's physical abilities?
Habits and Hygiene
Specific Grooming Routines and Nature of Assistance Required
Shaving
Bathing
Dental care
Dressing

Toileting
Personal care
Male or female personal hygiene care
Is your child aware of his or her own issues of sexuality? Are there issues or concerns to be aware of?
What is most important to your child about his or her habits and hygiene?
What is most important to you about your child's habits and hygiene?

Meals and Dietary Requirements

Food allergies (with suggested treatments if required)
Food preferences (likes and dislikes)
Assistance needed in meal preparation
Assistance needed in feeding self
Eating habits
Mealtime issues or behavior concerns
Cleanliness and neatness
What is most important to your child about his or her mealtimes and dietary needs?
What is most important to you about your child's mealtimes and dietary needs?

Important Daily Routines

Times and Preferences

Wake-up time
Morning
Noon
Afternoon
Evening
Bedtime
What is most important to your shild about his or har daily routines?
What is most important to your child about his or her daily routines?
What is most important to you about your child's daily routines?

Family and Support Factors

Family Information

Mother's information

Full Name:		
Home Address:		
	(Address, City, State, ZIP Code)	
Home telephone:	Cellular telephone:	
Place of work:	Work telephone:	
E-mail address:	Date of birth:	
Social Security number:		
Maiden name:		
Father's information		
Full Name:		
	(Address, City, State, ZIP Code)	
Home telephone:	Cellular telephone:	
Place of work:	Work telephone:	
E-mail address:	Date of birth:	
Social Security number:		
Sibling information		
Full Name:		
Home Address:		
	(Address, City, State, ZIP Code)	
Home telephone:	Cellular telephone:	
Place of work:	Work telephone:	
E-mail address:	Date of birth:	
Social Security number:		
Current status of relationship:		
Future status of relationship:		

Sibling information

Full Name:		
Home Address:		
(Address, City, S	State, ZIP Code)	
Home telephone:	Cellular telephone:	
Place of work:	Work telephone:	
E-mail address:	Date of birth:	
Social Security number:		
Current status of relationship:		
Future status of relationship:		
Sibling information		
Full Name:		
Home Address:(Address, City, S	State, ZIP Code)	
Home telephone:	·	
Place of work:		
E-mail address:		
Social Security number: Current status of relationship:		
Future status of relationship:		
List any health concerns and or medical conditions of pa	rents, guardians, or siblings	
List any medical family history or concerns		

Guardian information	
Full Name:	
Home Address:	
(Address, City, S	State, ZIP Code)
Home telephone:	Cellular telephone:
Place of work:	Work telephone:
E-mail address:	Date of birth:
Social Security number:	
Successor guardian information	
Full Name:	
Home Address:(Address, City, \$	State, ZIP Code)
Home telephone:	Cellular telephone:
Place of work:	Work telephone:
E-mail address:	Date of birth:
Social Security number:	
Professional Support Information	
Professional service providers (e.g., residential, employment, respite, personal care atte	endant, transportation, education)
Name of service provider:	
Director:	Contact person:
Telephone:	
Address:	
	State, ZIP Code)

Services provided: _____

Social and Recreation Support Information

Social and recreation activities and interests

(e.g., social clubs, hobbies, sports, arts, recreation) Organization name: _____ Director: _____ Contact person: ____ (Address, City, State, ZIP Code) Why important: **Friends and Extended Family Support Information** Name: _____ Telephone: Home Address: (Address, City, State, ZIP Code) Relationship: _____ Explanation: _____ **Other Family and Support Contacts** Individuals who may be in contact with your child but who share different philosophies or who may jeopardize your child's well-being and safety Telephone: _____ Home Address: _____ (Address, City, State, ZIP Code) Relationship:

Explanation: _____

Financial Factors

List of Advisors

insurance Agent		
Name:		
Insurance Company:		
Work Address:		
	(Address, City, State, ZIP Code)	
E-mail address:	Telephone:	
Relationship:		
Attorney		
Name:		
Work Address:	(Address, City, State, ZIP Code)	
E-mail address:	Telephone:	
Relationship:		
Accountant or Tax Preparer		
Name:		
Firm Name:		
Work Address:		
	(Address, City, State, ZIP Code)	
E-mail address:	Telephone:	
Relationship:		
Trustee of Parents' Trusts or	Family Trust	
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Firm Name:		
Work Address:	(Address, City, State, ZIP Code)	
E-mail address:	Telephone:	
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Financial Information About Parents

Summary of Net Worth

Asset	Current estimated market value	Amount allocated to your child's needs*
Liquid assets (cash, checking, money markets)		
Semi-liquid assets (stocks, bonds, mutual funds)		
Retirement plan assets (401[k], IRA, 403[b])		
Other assets (annuities, other)		
Real estate (residence, rental property, other)		
Business assets		
Personal property (autos, antiques, artwork)		
Total assets		
Liabilities	Current estimated market value	Amount allocated to your child's needs*
Liabilities (mortgage, credit cards, loans)		
Other liabilities		
Total liabilities		
Net worth (assets less liabilities)	Current estimated market value	Amount allocated to your child's needs*
Assets total		
Liabilities total		
Total net worth		

^{*}Indicates amount allocated to your child's needs. This column estimates the approximate amount that would be distributed to the child's special needs trust if the parents were to die as of the date of the current market values.

Life Insurance, Potential Gifts, and Inheritances

Life insurance	on father					
Insurance company	Policy number	Type of policy	Death benefit	Owner of policy	Primary beneficiary	Contingent beneficiary
Life insurance Insurance company	on mother Policy number	Type of policy	Death benefit	Owner of policy	Primary beneficiary	Contingent beneficiary
Life insurance	on guardian					
Insurance company	Policy number	Type of policy	Death benefit	Owner of policy	Primary beneficiary	Contingent beneficiary
Life insurance						
Insurance company	Policy number	Type of policy	Death benefit	Owner of policy	Primary beneficiary	Contingent beneficiary

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	Designations (
Investment company	nent plan assets Account number	Type of plan	Current market value	Potential income benefit	Primary beneficiary	Contingent beneficiary
Mother's retire	ment plan assets	S				
Investment company	Account number	Type of plan	Current market value	Potential income benefit	Primary beneficiary	Contingent beneficiary

Financial Information For Child

Current income sources of child Financial amount Payable timeframe **Type** Wages Supplemental Security Income Rental subsidy Other sources Potential income sources from parent Financial amount Payable timeframe Social Security Disability Insurance Pension-survivor benefits Other sources Structured Settlement Income Details of settlement (e.g., source, judgment, when expected, for how long) Lump-sum amount _____ Monthly income ____ Name of settlement insurance company _____ Effective date of contract settlement Contact information _____ **Your Financial Values** General thoughts on your values about money in making financial decisions. What is important about money to your child? What does money mean to your child? What is important about money to you and to your family? If there is more than one child, provide an overview of how the trustee should evaluate financial priorities. _____

Legal Factors

Overview of Estate Distribution

Executor of father's estate:	Date father's will signed:
Executor of mother's estate:	Date mother's will signed:
Name of trust:	Date of trust:
Trustee name:	Address:
Trustee's home telephone:	Trustee's work telephone:
Trustee's relationship to child:	Is trustee aware of role?
Power of attorney for parents:	Date of most recent filing:
Health care proxy for parents:	Date of most recent filing:
Location of Important Documents for Parents	
Wills	
Trusts	
Special needs trust paperwork	
Life insurance policies	
Guardianship papers	
Power of attorney papers	
Health care proxy papers	
Mortgage papers	
Investment paperwork	
Retirement plans	
Real estate deeds	
Property titles	
Birth certificates	
Marriage certificates	
Divorce documents	
Veterans' benefits	
Veterans' discharge documents	
Social Security cards and passports	

Safe deposit boxes/access information
Bank records and tax returns
Funeral instructions and related documents
Location of Legal Documents Specific to Child
Birth certificate
Burial instructions
Social Security card and passport
Guardianship papers
Conservatorship papers
Special needs trust paperwork
Will
Power of attorney
Health care proxy
Names of those with copies of this Book of Intent
Final Arrangements for Child
Details of prepaid arrangements (if any)
Describe your desires for final arrangements you wish for your child in the event that you are not available to make
these plans
In the absence of a guardian, the following documents may be considered for the child as alternatives to guardianship.
Executor of child's estate:
Date of most recent will:
Power of attorney for child:
Date of most recent power of attorney:
Health care proxy for child:
Date of most recent health care proxy:

Government Benefit Factors

Current Government Benefits

Income Benefits	
Social Security office:	
Name of contact:	Telephone:
Address:	
Monthly amount of Supplemental Security Income:	
Is Supplemental Security Income directly deposited?	
Monthly amount of Social Security Disability Insurance: _	
Under whose coverage (e.g., mother, father, child)?	
Representative Payee	
Name:	Firm name:
Telephone:	E-Mail address:
Address:	700 1)
(Address, City, S	
Medical Benefits	
Medicaid number:	Date of effective coverage:
Type of coverage:	Monthly copay amount:
Housing Benefits	
Government rental subsidy agency:	
Telephone:	
Address:	
Monthly amount:	

Potential Government Benefits

Government Benefit Contact Information

Maintaining Supplemental Security Income eligibility:
Telephone:
Medical coverage and services:
Telephone:
Housing subsidy or services:
Telephone:
Adult day program or services:
Telephone:
Vocational services:
Telephone:
Public transportation services:
Telephone:
Private transportation services:
Telephone:
Disability benefits:
Telephone:
Hearing impairment assistance:
Telephone:

Vision assistance:
Telephone:
Adaptive equipment:
Telephone:
Adaptive equipment maintenance:
Telephone:
Adaptive equipment training:
Telephone:

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