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This transition checklist is intended to act as a starting point, something for you to build on, as you go through the process of transitioning your child into adulthood. It may not be all-inclusive.

- Discuss transition with your High School Special Education case manager, as it's an integral part of the IEP once a student turns 14 years old
- What type of HS diploma (advanced studies, standard, applied studies, modified standard) can your child achieve?
- Have an Intake Assessment with <u>DARS</u> (<u>Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services</u>)
- Ask about the PERT program at <u>Wilson Workforce Rehabilitation Center</u>
- What are plans (post-high school, community college/live at home, attend away-college with disability supports, job training program)
- Will your child pursue a driver's license?
- Get psychological IQ testing for an intellectual disability diagnosis
- Confirm that you have documentation stating age-of-onset
- Contact Region Ten Community Service Board (CSB) to apply for Case Management
- Apply for the Medicaid DD Waiver (Developmental Disability Waiver)
- Do you need Coordinated Care Plus Waiver (CCC+ Waiver)?
- Apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) as an adult
- Consider opening an ABLENow Account as an adult to save money tax free
- Consider working with an employment service
- Contact <u>Virginia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Services (DBHDS)</u> for waivers, housing, employment, IFSP and other resources
- Work on "soft skills" at home and explore social opportunities outside of the home
- Look into transportation options outside of family
- Do you need a Special Needs Trust? Do you need Guardianship?
- Obtain a Healthcare Proxy or a Durable Power of Attorney (POA)
- Obtain HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act) Release
- Register to <u>vote</u> and register for the <u>Selective Service</u> (males)
- Obtain a Real ID from the DMV if a driver's license is not an option
- Check out additional resources from: <u>PEATC (Parent Educational Advocacy Training Center)</u>, <u>The Arc of Virginia</u>, The Arc of NOVA's <u>Transition Points Guides</u>, and The Arc of NOVA's Securing A Future for Your Child, UVA STAR's Transition Planning for Autism