Preparing for Life After High School

A Transition Webinar Series

We are pleased to host a series of evening webinars that address topics of importance when students are preparing to leave high school and enter adulthood. Webinars are led by local experts in their respective fields.

When: 2021-2022, Various dates
Start time: 7:00 p.m.

Where: Online – Zoom meeting

Who: All Are Welcome

Cost: Free

Pre-registration is required.

For information on how to register and attend these live events, go to: www.nassauboces.org/transitionexpo. There you will find a brief description of each webinar as well as the link you will need to join each event. We invite you to attend as many webinars as you would like.

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### Transition Webinar Seminars:

The webinars listed below are on topics that are important as students prepare to leave school and enter adulthood. Review the descriptions to see which ones relate best to your child. You may attend as many webinars as you choose. All webinars will begin at 7 p.m. and will run for about 45 minutes. **Pre-registration is required.** Please click on the Zoom link for the webinar(s) you are interested in attending and complete the simple registration process. Prior to the webinar, please visit Zoom.us and download Zoom onto your computer. Visit [www.nassauboces.org/transitionexpo](http://www.nassauboces.org/transitionexpo) for more information about registration.

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| October 6, 2021 7:00 p.m. | Supporting Your Child's Mental Health Needs After High School | Lisa Abeleira, Family Peer Advocate  
Erica Harper-Beckford, Family Peer Advocate  
Sondra Siegel-Raktoian, Family Peer Advocate  
Family and Children's Association | A review of benefits and limitations on parental involvement in a child's mental health treatment after turning 18 years of age; general information about guardianship and the application process when adult children refuse parental involvement but still need the support of a parent. |
| October 13, 2021 7:00 p.m. | Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD): Overview of Supports and Services for People with Developmental Disabilities | Dorothea Daniels  
LI Regional Coordinator  
Parent to Parent | A review of the process of applying for OPWDD eligibility, what the Front Door is, and a brief overview of what to expect after the Front Door. |
| November 9, 2021 7:00 p.m. | Overview of Legal Issues: Guardianship & Estate Planning | Andrew Cohen, Esq.  
Attorney, Law Offices of Andrew M. Cohen  
Mitch Weisbrot  
Special Care Planner | A review of how to legally protect children with intellectual disabilities through establishing guardianship, estate planning, wills, and special needs trusts. |
| January 12, 2022 7:00 p.m. | Single Point of Access (SPOA): Connecting to Mental Health Services, Providers and Benefits | Kathryn Artesani, LMSW  
Nassau County Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health, Chemical Dependency & Developmental Disabilities Services | How the SPOA Program helps connect people to mental health services, assist with provider communication, and help find benefits. |
| February 8, 2022 7:00 p.m. | College Planning: Services for Students with Disabilities | Julie Yindra, Director  
Student Access Services  
Hofstra University  
Gina Esposito-Sales, Counselor  
Center for Students with Disabilities  
Nassau Community College | A review of how students entering college may access accommodations there and will highlight issues that affect the decision to do so as well as other aspects of college life. |
| March 2, 2022 7:00 p.m. | Transitioning to Adulthood with Vision and Other Sensory Needs | Susanne Morgan Morrow, Project Director  
New York Deaf-Blind Collaborative (NYDBC), Queens College  
Paola Nappo Ficarra, District Manager  
NYS Office of Children and Family Services, Commission for the Blind (NYSCB) | A review of issues pertinent to students with vision and/or other sensory needs as they transition to adulthood. |
| March 15, 2022 7:00 p.m. | ACCES-VR: Assisting People with Disabilities to Obtain and Maintain Employment | Karen Marcus-Hoffman, M.Ed.  
CRC Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor  
Adult Career & Continuing Education Services - Vocational Rehabilitation | A review of how ACCES-VR assists people with disabilities to achieve and maintain employment and support independent living, through training, education, rehabilitation and career development. |
| April 5, 2022 7:00 p.m. | Medicaid, SSI & SSD: Overview of Eligibility and Benefits | Tom Schinkel  
Assistant Director of Benefits & Entitlements  
Care Design, New York | A review of requirements for eligibility for Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income and Social Security Disability and the difference between SSI and SSD. |
| May 4, 2022 7:00 p.m. | Pathways to Graduation: Requirements for Local and Regents Diplomas and the CDOS Commencement Credential | Donna Spotton, MS Ed, CRC, CCC  
Kristin Burke, MS Ed  
Kenneth Anderson, MS Ed, CRC  
Transition Specialists  
Long Island Regional Partnership Center  
Center for Community Inclusion  
Long Island University | A review of the multiple safety net options available to students with IEP’s to achieve a local or Regents diploma, including the Superintendents Determination, and how CDOS Credential requirements relate to this option. |