Virtual Discussion Series for Parents of Students with Disabilities

Topics in Brief

September 22, 2021
Transition Planning
Speaker: AACPS Transition Facilitators; Kendall Concini, Manager of Admissions, Information & Referral, The Arc Central Chesapeake Region

November 17, 2021
What is a Coordinator of Community Services?
Speakers: Coordinators of Community Services

January 19, 2022
Understanding Self Directed Services
Speaker: Tracy Davis, Director of Fiscal Management, The Arc Central Chesapeake Region

February 16, 2022
Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS)
Speaker: AA County DORS Transitioning Youth Counselor

March 16, 2022
Financial Planning
Speaker: Dave Rosenthal of Rosenthal & Associates

April 20, 2022
Understanding SSI & Other Benefits
Speaker: John Shatto, Disability Benefits Coordinator, The Arc of Montgomery County

May 18th, 2022
Alternatives to Guardianship
Speaker: Sharon Krevor-Weisbaum

The Life Transition Series is comprised of workshops designed to provide families of students with developmental disabilities with valuable information and resources to facilitate a successful transition. Each session will focus on a specific topic and provide information that is crucial for preparing to enter adult life.

October 20, 2021, 6:00PM–8:00PM
Transition Night at Annapolis High School
*note: This event is NOT VIRTUAL. This is an opportunity to visit our community partners to get more info on choices after high school. Community partners will share information and answer questions.

Registration Information

Call or Email Jackie Schrader, AACPS Transition Specialist
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The Maryland Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) has programs and services that help individuals with disabilities go to work in careers of their choice. DORS provides services to high school students with disabilities who are making the transition from school to employment, higher education or vocational training. If eligible, the individual will work with a DORS counselor to choose from a variety of programs and services.

**Transition Planning**
September 22, 2021
The transition from high school to adulthood is a critical stage for individuals with developmental disabilities and requires extra planning and goal setting. Join us in a discussion to learn more about Transition Planning, the role of the Transition Facilitator, and other community resources.

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**Coordinators of Community Service**
November 17th, 2021
Coordinators of Community Service play a critical role in assisting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities with making choices affecting their lives and accessing resources and services in their community. These coordinators assist individuals who are eligible for services from the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) by acting as the liaison between the family, provider agencies and DDA.

**Self Directed Services**
January 19th, 2022
This is a service delivery model for individuals with developmental disabilities who wish to exercise more choice, control, and authority over their supports when they leave the school system. Self-direction gives DDA eligible individuals and families greater control over the services they receive, how they receive them, and who provides them. Come hear more and decide if Self-directed services is for you.

**Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS)**
February 16th, 2022
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**Financial Planning**
March 16th, 2022
Join us for an invaluable session that will answer your questions about financial & estate planning, special needs trusts, & ABLE accounts.

**Supplemental Security Income (SSI)**
April 20th, 2022
SSI is an important component of transition planning. Come learn more about what benefits your child may be eligible for, how to apply for these benefits & Medical Assistance, & how to work while receiving benefits.

**Alternatives to Guardianship**
May 18th, 2022
Should I have a guardian? This is a question that often arises for persons with developmental disabilities. Truths and Myths of guardianship will be discussed.

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