

# Introducing Transition Discoveries



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**October 7, 2021 (9:00 AM - 10:30 AM)**

Improving secondary transition practices in Pennsylvania has the potential to positively impact the post-school outcomes of transitioning youth with disabilities. During this session, participants will learn about the Transition Discoveries framework for improving secondary transition programming. The framework includes a two-year implementation progression with stakeholder surveys, action planning and implementation protocols along with online training modules and resources.

In addition, participants will learn about a grant opportunity for which selected Local Education Agencies (LEAs) will form community-based teams that will utilize the Transition Discoveries surveys with a variety of stakeholders. The results of the surveys will inform the team's action plan to enhance their transition systems. Grant monies will be available to selected LEAs committed to implementing the Transition Discoveries framework.

#### **Presenters:**

Mr. Matthew Flanagan is a Senior Researcher within the Special Education & Disability Studies Department of the Graduate School of Education & Human Development, The George Washington University. Matthew's work entails designing trainings so that youth, families, and stakeholders have the knowledge, skills, and tools that they need in secondary transition. He earned a Dual Certification Master's degree from Montclair State University in Elementary Education (K-6) and Special Education (K-12).

Dr. Joan Kester is an Assistant Professor of Special Education & Disability Studies, Graduate School of Education & Human Development, at The George Washington University (GW). Dr. Kester is the Program Director of GW's Interdisciplinary Secondary Transition Program. As Principal Investigator of an Office of Special Education personnel preparation grant, she prepares secondary transition leaders from across the country through an online master's and certificate program that includes a specialization in autism or brain injury.

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#### **AGENDA**

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Overview of Transition Discoveries
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Grant Application Process and Timelines

#### **REGISTRATION**

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