

Transition Discoveries: Pathways to Success

Indicators & Sub-Indicators

- 1. Transition Planning**
 - 1.1. Career Exploration Planning and Preparation
 - 1.2. Post-secondary and College Planning
 - 1.3. Independent/Community Living
 - 1.4. Significant Role of School Personnel
- 2. Youth Development**
 - 2.1. Self-Awareness
 - 2.2. Disability Awareness
 - 2.3. Independent Living Skill Development
 - 2.4. Self-Determination Skill Development
 - 2.5. Self-Management Skill Development
 - 2.6. Leadership Skill Development
 - 2.7. Youth Engagement in Transition Planning
 - 2.8. Significant Role of Adult
 - 2.9. Person and Family Directed Planning
- 3. Authentic Person and Family Centered Planning Practices**
 - 3.1. Person and Family Centered Program Design
 - 3.2. Family Engagement
- 4. Family Engagement in Transition Planning**
 - 4.1. Family Information Sharing Activities
 - 4.2. Peer to Peer Family Support
 - 4.3. Family Respite
- 5. Relationships**
 - 5.1. Friendships
 - 5.2. Sense of Belonging
 - 5.3. Social Skills Development
 - 5.4. Anti-Bullying Efforts
- 6. Independent Living & Community Engagement**
 - 6.1. Independent Living Skill Development
 - 6.2. Planning for Future Living Arrangements
 - 6.3. Travel & Transportation Skills
 - 6.4. Recreation and Leisure
 - 6.5. Community Based Experiences
 - 6.6. Faith Based Experiences
 - 6.7. Civic Engagement
 - 6.8. Mental Health Supports
- 7. Cross Agency Collaboration**
 - 7.1. Agencies in Schools
 - 7.2. Transition Coordinating Councils
 - 7.3. Community Agency Nights about Employment
 - 7.4. Transition Staffings
 - 7.5. Employment Expos
 - 7.6. Transition Fairs
 - 7.7. Transition Conferences
- 8. Employment**
 - 8.1. Career Development Classes
 - 8.2. Career Clubs
 - 8.3. Career and Technical Education
 - 8.4. Career Exploration
 - 8.5. Discovery Process
 - 8.6. Unpaid Work Experience
 - 8.7. Paid Work Experience
 - 8.8. OVR Services
 - 8.9. Job Coaching Services
 - 8.10. Summer Employment
 - 8.11. On-the-Job Training
 - 8.12. Employer Partnerships
 - 8.13. University Partnerships
- 9. Postsecondary Education**
 - 9.1. Pre-College Experience Programs
 - 9.2. College-Based Transition Programs
 - 9.3. Postsecondary Education Programs
 - 9.4. Postsecondary Career Training Programs

The Purpose of Transition Discoveries is to Create Pathways to Success for Transitioning Youth with Disabilities...

Transition stakeholders have a list of **nine key components or “indicators”** of effective transition practices, as identified by youth and their families. Each indicator is defined by key elements or **“sub-indicators” that lead to successful transition practices**, as agreed upon by transition stakeholders. These 55 sub-indicators are described through **definitions, characteristics, outcomes, and meaningful stories** told by youth, families, and transition stakeholders.

The **Transition Quality Indicator Survey Package** is available to help teams evaluate the effectiveness of their transition practices, through the collection of data from youth, families, and transition stakeholders. The survey incorporates an evaluation of each indicator and sub-indicator. Data is used by teams to improve transition practices.

The **Transition Discoveries Infographics Collection** is available to youth, families, and transition stakeholders to create pathways to success for transitioning youth using the indicator and sub-indicator information described above. These resources can help youth, families, and transition stakeholders improve transition practices.

Transition Discoveries is the Result of...

- Participator Action Research (PAR) that captures the **genuine and authentic voices of youth with disabilities, their families, and transition stakeholders** in each and every part of the research.
- Research that **matters to people, involves them, and respects them.**
- Groundbreaking research that **moves beyond the systems view of transition to a holistic, community perspective.**
- **Person-centered and inclusive research.**
- Changing the lexicon of **successful transition, and ties it to the dreams and goals of youth and their families.**

Transition Discoveries offers...

A comprehensive resource that empowers everyone to engage in a data-driven approach to transition. This package can be used by ANYONE to evaluate transition practices and includes:

- **Transition Quality Indicator Survey Packet:**
 - This packet consists of 3 surveys (all addressing the same indicator information). There are individual surveys for youth, families, and transition Stakeholders (educators, agencies, advocates, providers, etc.).
- **Transition Quality Indicator Infographics Collection:**
 - Within the infographic collection you will find each indicator as well as their sub-indicators, or transition practices that lead to success!
 - All indicators are based upon “what’s working” input of youth, families and transition stakeholders. Their voices are the cornerstone of our how to guides!

For additional information, please contact us at transitiondiscoveries@gwu.edu:

- Request **Transition Discoveries Infographic Collection (Available by 10/31/17):**
 - Copy for your use
 - Copies for you to distribute to your network
 - Notification when posted on www.secondarytransition.org website
 - Request to post electronic copies on your website
- Request **Quality Indicator Survey Packet**, to inquire about use with YOUR team. This can be initiated by youth, families, and/or transition stakeholders to improve transition practices in your area.



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