

# Transition Planning Flowchart



## Explore the Disability Tax Credit Certificate with Canada Revenue Agency (Form T2201)

- Investigate possible rebates from previous years' filings once certificate has been granted, [www.cra.gc.ca](http://www.cra.gc.ca)
- If a child under 18 years of age is eligible for the Disability Tax Credit, that child is also eligible for the child disability benefit, an amount available under the Canada Child Tax Benefit, [www.cra.gc.ca/benefits](http://www.cra.gc.ca/benefits) or [Booklet T4114](#), Canada Child Benefits

## Explore a Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP)

- Investigate possible grant and bond contributions from the Government of Canada, [www.servicecanada.gc.ca](http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca)
- Prior to age 19, grants and bonds are based on family income not the income of the person

## Apply for a Social Insurance Number (SIN)

- Nine-digit number needed to work or to have access to government programs and benefits, [www.servicecanada.gc.ca](http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca)

## Ensure a Psychological Assessment has been completed, including both Cognitive and Adaptive Functioning

- This will be required for application to Developmental Services Ontario at age 16 to secure developmental supports and services as an adult



## Age 14

- Transition into grade nine has just taken place
- Transition Planning Meeting will be held during the course of the school year and will continue to take place every school year
- Transition Meetings are an important way to learn about future supports, funding sources, applications and other relevant resources/services



## Age 16

- Make application to Developmental Services Ontario (DSO) for students who are interested in developmental supports and services upon completion of high school. Developmental Services Ontario (DSO) will determine eligibility as an adult, 1-855-277-2121
- Application for Employment Support through Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) can be made at age 16, 705-737-1311
- Apply for an Ontario Photo Card for those students who do not have a driver's license, [www.ontario.ca](http://www.ontario.ca)



## Age 17

- Six months prior to the student's 18<sup>th</sup> birthday contact Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) office in order to apply for Income Support. Application can be made by phone 705-737-1311 or online [www.mcass.gov.on.ca](http://www.mcass.gov.on.ca)



## Age 18-19

- Apply for the GST/HST credit on income tax the year the student is 18 to receive the first payment one month after the 19<sup>th</sup> birthday, [www.servicecanada.gc.ca](http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca)
- Transition planning will continue throughout the student's high school years. Transition Coordinators will be a resource to the student, their family and the school. It is important to ensure all appropriate applications and sources of funding have been accessed
- All students seeking Developmental Services and Supports - Community Participation, Supported Employment, Accommodations and/or Passport Funding - need to complete application to Developmental Services Ontario (DSO), if not already done. Once deemed eligible for supports and services, request the DSO Supports Intensity Scale Assessment (SIS) be completed within the school and include teaching staff



## Age 20-21

- All students seeking Developmental Services and Supports- Community Participation, Supported Employment, Accommodations and/or Passport Funding need to complete application to Developmental Services Ontario (DSO), if not already done.
- Transition Planning Meetings may occur more frequently during the last year of school to ensure a smooth transition from high school

Empower Simcoe Transition Coordinators can be a resource to students and their families at any time by calling

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