

# **NEXT STEPS**

## **The Transition Series**

Is a series of training modules developed to assist parents and families in preparing for the change from life as a student in school, to life as a citizen in the community. For all young people, preparing for this change is complicated. For students with disabilities and their families, preparing for such changes can be particularly challenging, overwhelming, and exciting!

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## **TEAM S.T.E.P.P.S.**

Southland Transition Educating Parents, Professionals  
and Students

## **Presents**

### **THE TRANSITION SERIES**

A workshop series designed for families  
and professionals who work with children  
who have a disability

### **Tuesday Evenings**

**March 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2014**

**5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

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## TRAINING WORKSHOPS

**Tuesday, March 4, 2014**

### **Transition: Making it in the Real World and Roadmaps to the Future**

IDEA requires transition planning for all students with disabilities. Participants will learn the transition planning process which will include the intent of the law and goal development. Graduation requirements, age of majority and guardianship consideration, and the Summary of Performance will also be discussed within these modules.

**Tuesday, March 11, 2014**

### **Self-Advocacy and Supports: Keys to Independence and Life in the Community**

Students with disabilities are learning to make choices about their lives. In school and in the community they are finding the words and behaviors to communicate their opinions, preferences, and concerns. Within these module presentations the importance of self-determination and self-advocacy as related to transition goal achievement will be discussed.

**Tuesday, March 18, 2014**

### **Getting Ready: Preparing for Work While in School and Future Finances and Supports**

The post secondary employment goal determines the activities that are needed to support the student's job skills development. Learn of ways to support your student's goals through service learning, training and volunteer opportunities. An overview of estate planning will be given along with ways to secure the young adult's future through financial planning.

**Tuesday, March 25, 2014**

### **Adult Life: Effective Partnerships and Accessing Services**

Join us to learn the resources and services available to individuals with disabilities in the Southland area. Numerous agencies will share information about their specific services they provide that will assist students in reaching their goals.

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

NAME:	YOUTH'S AGE:
ADDRESS:	STUDENT'S SCHOOL:
CITY:	EMAIL
HOME PHONE:	MOBILE PHONE:
<b>Circle One: You Are A</b> Parent    Family Member    Student    Professional	

I wish to register for the following presentation(s): (Please check those you plan to attend)

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| <input type="radio"/> Transition                 | <b>March 4, 2014</b>  | <b>5:30 – 8:00 pm</b> |
| <input type="radio"/> Self-Advocacy and Supports | <b>March 11, 2014</b> | <b>5:30 – 8:00 pm</b> |
| <input type="radio"/> Getting Ready              | <b>March 18, 2014</b> | <b>5:30 – 8:00 pm</b> |
| <input type="radio"/> Adult Life                 | <b>March 25, 2014</b> | <b>5:30 – 8:00 pm</b> |

This is a free workshop that is open to all who would like more information on secondary transition planning and services. Attendance for all of the sessions is not required. Therefore, you may register for any or all of the sessions that you would like to attend.

### **To register by email or phone contact:**

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