

# 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Illinois Statewide Transition Conference

## *Stepping Stones of Transition*

The *Stepping Stones of Transition* Conference highlights the opportunities and resources available for youth and young adults with disabilities as they transition to adulthood. Learn how to plan for your future, including:

- ▶ What happens after I leave high school?
- ▶ How do I sort through the maze of resources?
- ▶ What steps can I take now to prepare for upcoming changes?
- ▶ What skills are important for me to develop?

### **Need Financial Help?**

The Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC) may be able to fund the conference-related expenses for you and your family, caregiver, nurse and/or personal attendant. These expenses include the cost of your hotel and transportation.

## **Nov. 7 - 8, 2024**

**Crowne Plaza Springfield**

3000 S. Dirksen Parkway  
Springfield, IL 62703

*This year's conference is in person only.*

**Register at: <https://go.uic.edu/DSCC2024TransitionConference>  
SignUp**



Join us to learn about supported decision-making from keynote speaker and self-advocate Derek Heard along with Allison Cohen Hall from the Center on Youth Voice, Youth Choice. The conference also includes sessions on:

- Self-determination
- Advocacy
- Employment
- Future planning
- Post-secondary education
- Health care

**For more conference details, visit: <https://go.uic.edu/DSCC2024TransitionConferenceInfo>**



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**If you need help or more information, call (800) 322-3722.**





**PARTNER**  
Partner with adolescents and their families to identify transition needs.

**HELP**  
Help to develop a plan and get ready to transition to adulthood.

**CONNECT**  
Connect adolescents and their families with resources to prepare for adulthood and adult services.

We **partner** with Illinois families and communities to **help** children and youth with special healthcare needs **connect** to services and resources.



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DSCC's Care Coordinators are experts at working with families to put together a transition plan. This plan identifies clear goals for adulthood and the strategies, services and resources necessary to achieve them.

For helpful checklists, tips and resources to prepare for adulthood, visit our Transition Tools page at: <https://dsc.illinois.edu/browse-resources/transition-resources/>.



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