



# Illinois Statewide Transition Conference

*Stepping Stones of Transition*

20th Anniversary

**Oct. 30 - 31, 2025**

**Crowne Plaza Springfield**

3000 S. Dirksen Parkway  
Springfield, IL 62703

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

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?

Join us to learn about the importance of disability acceptance, awareness, and inclusion from keynote speaker Taylor Sweeting. The conference also includes sessions on:

- Artificial intelligence (AI) in transition
- Self-advocacy
- Employment
- Future and financial planning
- Post-secondary education
- Health care



For more conference details and to register, visit: [https://go.uic.edu/](https://go.uic.edu/DSCC2025TransitionConference)

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Check out the transition conference video playlist on YouTube:

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## Need Financial Help?

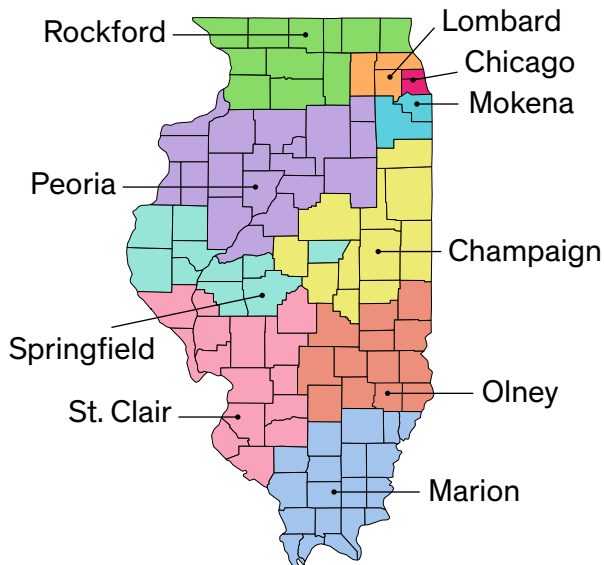
The Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC) may be able to fund the conference-related expenses for you and your family, caregiver, nurse and/or personal attendant. These expenses include the cost of your hotel and transportation.



## We can help you prepare for the future.

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.

### DSCC Regional Office (RO) Locations



For helpful checklists, tips and resources to prepare for adulthood, visit our Transition Tools page at: [dsc.uic.edu/browse-resources/transition-resources/](https://dsc.uic.edu/browse-resources/transition-resources/).

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



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### PARTNER

We partner with adolescents and their families to identify transition needs.

### HELP

We help develop a plan to get ready for the transition to adulthood.

### CONNECT

We 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.**