

Illinois Statewide Transition Conference

Stepping Stones of Transition

Nov. 5-6, 2026

Sheraton Lisle Naperville Hotel - 3000 Warrenville Road, Lisle, IL 60532

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 professional magician and autistic self-advocate Cody Clark for an interactive session that combines magic, storytelling and real-life experiences to teach simple strategies for handling challenges and building resilience. The conference also includes sessions on:

- Self-advocacy
- Future and financial planning
- Health care
- Employment
- Post-secondary education



For more conference details and to register, visit: <https://go.uic.edu/>

[DSCC2026TransitionConference](https://go.uic.edu/DSCC2026TransitionConference)

Check out the transition conference video playlist on YouTube:

<https://go.uic.edu/>

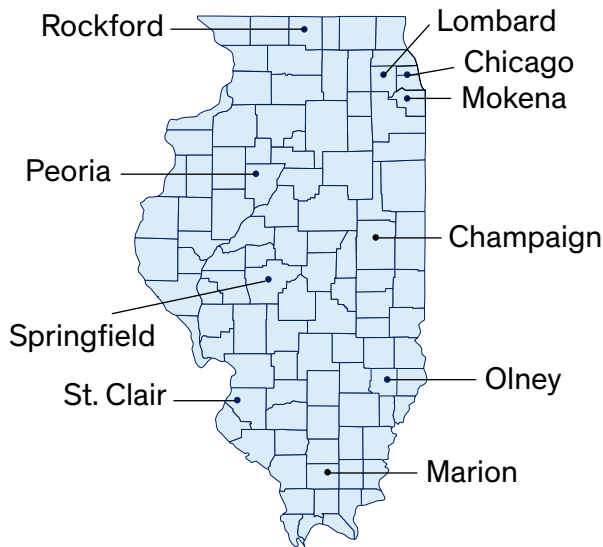
[DSCCTransitionConferencePlaylist](https://go.uic.edu/DSCCTransitionConferencePlaylist)



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.

DSCC Regional Office (RO) Locations



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.



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

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



Division of Specialized Care for Children

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.