

Next Steps Resources

Post-Secondary Vision

1. Creating a post-secondary vision:
<http://fcsn.org/rtsc/creating-a-post-secondary-vision>

688 Referral

1. DESE 688 Information:
www.doe.mass.edu/sped/iep/688

Age of Majority

1. DESE Age of Majority advisory:
http://www.doe.mass.edu/sped/advisories/11_1.html
2. Watch this Guardianship webinar:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2zPQZhVQw1Q>
3. Step by step guide on guardianship:
<https://ma.exceptionallives.org/guardianship-guide/>
4. All the forms you need:
<http://www.mass.gov/courts/forms/pfc/pfc-upc-forms-generic.html>
5. Age of majority checklist:
<http://autismhousingpathways.net/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/Turning18checklistUpdated.pdf>
6. Fletcher Tilton Legal Resource Guide:
<http://www.flechertilton.com/1C2194/assets/files/Documents/COA%205th%20Edition%20FIN-AL-Lo-Res.pdf>

Education (non-diploma)

1. Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission:
<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/mrc/>
2. MAICEI:
<http://www.mass.gov/edu/birth-grade-12/higher-education/initiatives-and-special-programs/inclusive-concurrent-enrollment/>
3. Trade schools: automotive, HVAC, construction, nursing, etc.

Education (diploma)

1. Understand differences between high school and college
2. <http://www.going-to-college.org/>
3. Think College:
<http://www.thinkcollege.net/>

4. Student/Disability Services/ Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission:
<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/mrc/>

Employment

1. Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission:
<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/mrc/>
2. One stop career centers:
<http://www.mass.gov/lwd/employment-services/one-stop-career-centers/about-career-centers/>
3. Adult service agencies: Work Inc., American Training, Work Opportunities Unlimited

Independent Living

1. Family resource or support centers:
www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/dmr/reports/family-support/family-support-directory.pdf
2. MA independent living centers:
<http://www.masilc.org/membership/cils>
3. Mass Family Voices:
<http://fcsn.org/mfv/>
4. Mass Family Ties:
<http://massfamilyties.org/index.php>
5. Friendships:
<http://thearcofmass.org/programs/widening-the-circle/>

Travel

1. Driving programs:
<http://www.massrmv.com/rmv/driversed/specialized.htm>
2. Contact your local transit authority to learn more about transportation options including: services, travel instruction, carpooling, healthcare transportation
3. Mass Mobility:
<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/provider/guidelines-resources/services-planning/hst/mobility-manage/creating-a-mobility-management-information-network.html>
4. Regional Coordinating Councils:
<http://www.massdot.state.ma.us/transit/MobilityManagementCenter/RegionalCoordinatingCouncils/RCCRegionsandContacts.aspx>

Housing

1. Section 8 Housing:
<http://section8listmass.org/>

2. Autism Housing Pathways:
<http://autismhousingpathways.org/>
3. MFOFC Housing Connections:
<http://www.mfofc-hc.org/housingconnections/>

Managing Benefits

1. SSI/SSDI:
<http://info.exceptionallives.org/exceptional-lives-ssi-guide>
2. Project Impact:
<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/consumer/disability-services/vocational-rehab/ses/impact/project-impact.html>
3. Beneplan:
<http://www.beneplan.org/>

Health and Medical Care

1. Mass Family Voices:
<http://fcsn.org/mfv/>
2. Mass Health:
<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/consumer/insurance/apply-for-health-coverage/>
3. Health insurance:
<https://www.mahealthconnector.org/>
4. Department of Public Health – CYSHN:
<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/dph/programs/family-health/children-and-youth-with-special-health-care-needs-program.html>

Financial Planning

1. Attend a workshop to learn more:
<https://specialneedsplanning.com/workshops-snfp/>
2. Find great resources here:
<http://www.fletchertilton.com/knowledge-library/special-needs-resource-library>
3. Consider setting up a Special Needs Trust, Estate Planning, College Savings Account 529, ABLE account

Stay Informed about Transition:

1. FCSNTransition Listserve – a free Yahoo group for parents and professionals:
fcsntransition-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
2. FCSN's The LINK Center website:
www.fcsn.org/linkcenter

3. DESE Secondary Transition website:

www.doe.mass.edu/sped/secondary-transition/default.html