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A. Adult services and eligibility

Youth, families and transition teams should explore a variety of agencies to determine which agencies can offer support, services and resources to help you plan your way to work. In most cases, whether an agency can help will be determined by its eligibility criteria and services. Your work and adult life goals also matter.

As you begin to explore agencies with your transition team, keep these criteria in mind. This will help you prepare information the agencies may need. The information in the table below may help you and your team to start talking about your eligibility for the programs and extent and types of services they offer.

The types of eligibility criteria often considered by agencies include:

Age: Services may only be available if you are a certain age. Some agencies require you to be age 14 or older while others can work with you if you are age 18 or older.

Disability: Some agencies require a formal disability diagnosis to find out if the agency can serve your disability.

Challenges and limitations: Agencies may require proof of the challenges your disability causes and how they affect your ability to learn, work, be safe, care for your personal needs and participate in daily life.

Level of need: Agencies may have limited resources and will prioritize people with the greatest need to receive services before those whose needs are less critical.

Type of need: The type of service you need may only be available through certain agencies or providers.

Financial: Some resources are only available to people with limited income. In some cases, you may not be eligible for resources or supports because your or your family's income is above the allowed limit.

Availability: Some services or resources may be limited and require people to be placed on waiting lists.

Residence: Some agency service providers may only serve specific geographic areas of the state or only provide group housing options.

Your goals: Your goals can determine which agency should provide services or if an agency should provide a service. When contacting agencies, be sure to tell them about your work and adult life goals. This will help find services that suit you and your vision for the future.

A. Adult services and eligibility, cont.

<p>Agency overview: eligibility. The types of agency eligibility criteria may include age, disability status, challenges, level and type of support needs, financial status, availability of services and individual goals. Below is a summary of the eligibility criteria for agencies that may help you transition from school to work and adult life.</p>			
<p>Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS), community DD programs (CDDP) or support services brokerages</p>	<p>Vocational Rehabilitation (VR)</p>	<p>Social Security Administration (SSA)</p>	<p>Employed Persons with Disabilities (EPD)</p>
<p>ODDS offers Medicaid services and supports to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.</p> <p>Who is eligible:</p> <p>You may be eligible for ODDS services if you are a person with an intellectual or developmental disability whose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disability causes impairments in everyday living skills like walking and communicating; and • Impairments are not primarily caused by mental disorder, sensory impairment, motor impairment, personality disorder, substance abuse, learning disability or ADHD. • Your local CDDP determines if you are eligible. The CDDP must decide this within 90 days of the date you submitted an application. • After eligibility, you will learn about service and case management options. You can choose case management with a CDDP service coordinator (SC) or a supports services brokerage personal agent (PA). • Your SC or PA will conduct a needs assessment to identify your needs, goals and service levels. • Within 45 days of your assessment, your SC or PA will contact you with results. • You and your team will develop an individual support plan (ISP) by talking about your needs, goals, preferences and assessment results. The ISP outlines the services you will receive over the next year to meet your goals. 	<p>VR provides employment services to help people with all kinds of disabilities get and keep a job.</p> <p>Who is eligible:</p> <p>Transition students (age 14+) and adults with disabilities that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Want to work in the general work force; • Receive SSI or SSDI; • Have a disability; • Have a barrier to employment because of disability; and • Need help to get or keep a job. • VR services must be focused on finding a competitive job. • You and your VR counselor work together to identify an employment goal that suits you. 	<p>The Social Security Administration (SSA) manages two different disability-based benefit programs — SSI and SSDI.</p> <p>Who is eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SSI (Supplemental Security Income) is a financial support for people with low income and few resources. They must also have a disability or be elderly. • SSDI (Social Security Disability Insurance) is a financial support based on past work history. SSDI may be available to people with a disability who need help to get a job. • In general, a qualified medical examiner must document an adult's (age 18+) disability. • The disability must be expected to last more than 12 months. The person either cannot be working at the time of application or earn less than a certain income level to be eligible. 	<p>The Employed Persons with Disabilities (EPD) is a Medicaid health care program for people with all kinds of disabilities.</p> <p>Who is eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It provides health care coverage and long-term services to working Oregonians whose income may exceed established limits set for Medicaid eligibility. • You may be eligible for EPD if you: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a physical, cognitive, mental health or developmental disability, or you are legally blind; • Are employed and receiving a taxable wage or are self-employed; • Have countable resources of \$5,000 or less; and • Have earned income of no more than 250% of the federal poverty level for a family of one after allowed deductions.

A. Adult services and eligibility, cont.

Agency overview: services. Agencies may provide a wide range of services to help you transition from school to work and adult life. The type, intensity and availability of service may vary for different people.

Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS), community DD program (CDDP) or support services brokerages	Vocational Rehabilitation (VR)	Social Security Administration (SSA)	Employed Persons with Disabilities (EPD)
<p>Service options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support with everyday activities like bathing, dressing, managing your money, communication and behavior challenges; • Supports in your community like transportation, help with shopping, social groups and activities; • Skills training to help you learn everyday activities at home or in your community; • Supports in the community or a facility to learn basic job skills and reach a job goal; • Help to develop job interests, skills and keep a job through discovery, small group employment and job coaching; • Assistive technology or devices; • Home or vehicle modifications; • Relief (respite) care; • Training for family members to help them support you. • You may receive services in your own home, your family home, a group home or foster home and around your community. 	<p>Service options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help to get a job through counseling, planning, employment assessments, training, connection to employment specialists or job developers; • Help to attend a college or vocational training program; • Equipment or adaptive technology to help you on the job; • Career guidance to help you move up in your job or get a better job; • Benefits counseling to help you understand how work may affect your SSI and Medicaid benefits. • VR works in partnerships with other agencies to provide services other than vocational guidance and counseling — like job discovery, job development and job coaching. 	<p>Service options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SSI includes Medicaid eligibility and a monthly cash benefit that may be as much as \$733 per month. Think of Medicaid as health insurance. • The SSDI cash benefit amount depends on past work history. • People on SSDI will eventually receive Medicare coverage. Think of Medicare as another health insurance program for people who qualify. • Work incentives make it possible for people who receive disability benefits to work without losing their benefits until they earn enough income to support themselves. • There are different work incentive rules for SSI and SSDI. Both programs allow a person time to earn income without losing cash benefits and Medicaid. • SSA works with employment networks to provide incentives to employ individuals with disabilities through the Ticket to Work program. • SSA supports benefits counseling through Work Incentives Planning and Assistance (WIPA) agencies to help individuals understand the programs. 	<p>Service options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EPD provides Medicaid health care coverage to people that buy in to the program. That means people in EDP pay small monthly health care premiums based on income. Medicaid funds EPD.



B. TRANSITION TEAM CONTACTS

SCHOOL	
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EMAIL ADDRESS	
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FAX	
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WEBSITE	
COUNTY DD SERVICES	
PRIMARY CONTACT	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE	
FAX	
ADDRESS	
WEBSITE	
BROKERAGE SERVICES	
PRIMARY CONTACT	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE	
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ADDRESS	
WEBSITE	
VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION	
PRIMARY CONTACT	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE	
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ADDRESS	
WEBSITE	

B. TRANSITION TEAM CONTACTS, CONT.

EMPLOYER	
PRIMARY CONTACT	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE	
FAX	
ADDRESS	
WEBSITE	
JOB COACH/JOB DEVELOPER	
PRIMARY CONTACT	
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TELEPHONE	
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C. TRANSITION PLANNING COMMUNICATION RECORD

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E. Transition goal action plan

Student name:	School year:
Desired result(s) for this goal:	How will you measure the result(s)

Organize and schedule the family and community involvement activities to support this goal

Activities	Dates	Action steps	Person responsible
Any extra funds or resources, supplies or resources needed for these activities?			