Transitioning Children with FASDs into Adulthood

Resource Toolkit for South Carolinians

For people with FASDs, transitioning to adulthood can be challenging – but it doesn't have to be. South Carolina families living with FASDs can use the supports and resources in this toolkit to help transition children with FASDs into adulthood. This toolkit includes links to programs, services, and online resources.

Use this table to quickly identify resources that address your specific needs.

| | Social and Emotional Support | Information Support | Disability Services | Care Coordination | Education and Employment Support | Medical Care Services |
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| Programs and Service | S | | | | | |
| American Academy of Pediatrics - South Carolina Chapter | | x | | | | |
| The Arc South Carolina | | x | Х | | Х | |
| Best Buddies South Carolina | х | Х | Х | | X | |
| Center for Independent Living | | Х | Х | | х | Х |
| FASD Collaborative | х | Х | | | х | |
| FASD United | х | х | Х | х | х | |
| Medicaid Waiver Programs | х | Х | Х | х | Х | Х |
| Parent to Parent | Х | Х | | | | |
| South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department | | x | х | | x | |
| Special Olympics South Carolina | Х | | | | | |
| The Tanagram Way | Х | | | | | |
| Online Resources | | · | | · | · | |
| FASD Information | | X | Х | | X | |
| IEP Transition | | X | | | Х | |



Programs and Services

American Academy of Pediatrics – South Carolina Chapter

Provides resources for parents and clinicians

The Arc South Carolina

 7 local chapters provide a wide range of human services and other supports to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) and their families: advocacy, residential, educational, vocational, employment, and family supports

Check out Arc Indiana's videos and webinars about transitioning to adulthood, guardianship and alternatives, applying for Social Security benefits, employment, and community living

Best Buddies South Carolina

Offers one-to-one friendship into adulthood, integrated employment, inclusive living, family support, and leadership development programs for individuals with and without I/DD in South Carolina

Center for Independent Living

- Every state has a Center for Independent Living
- Supports people with disabilities through peer support, independent living skills training, information and referral, individual and systems advocacy, and transition from institutions and secondary education

The FASD Collaborative

- Focuses on supporting the creation of fully inclusive communities addressing the needs of all individuals who are neurodiverse including the FASD community
- Provides virtual and in-person support groups, online webinars, and special interest groups

FASD United

- Serves as the national organization on FASD, supporting people with FASDs and promoting healthy pregnancies
- <u>Family Navigator Program</u> provides individuals living with FASDs, their family members, caregivers, supporters and professionals with expert, confidential referrals to resources and services, one-on-one peer support, and information on FASD
- Find your nearest FASD United Affiliate Network for additional FASD resources

Medicaid Waiver Programs

South Carolina has seven programs that can serve children: Katie Beckett TEFRA Children, Community Supports Waiver, Medically Complex Children Waiver, Head and Spinal Cord Injury Waiver, Intellectual Disability and Related Disabilities Waiver, HIV/AIDS Waiver, Palmetto Coordinated System of Care for Children Home and Community Based Waiver

Parent to Parent

- Provides one-to-one parent matches to help parents become experts in their child's disability, learn medical and therapeutic terms, and navigate services, therapies, insurance issues, and public systems
- Connects parents and caregivers of children with I/DD with trained mentors who have experience raising children with I/DD

South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department

Pre-Employment Transition Services

Offers services to help qualified youth build self-esteem, learn teamwork, gain communication and leadership skills, prepare for employment success, and achieve independence: job exploration and postsecondary education counseling, work-based learning experiences, workplace readiness training, self-advocacy

Vocational Services

Helps students with disabilities identify career interests and enhance awareness of the work world: job exploration counseling, instruction in self-advocacy, counseling on postsecondary education opportunities, workplace readiness training, and work-based learning experiences

Special Olympics South Carolina

Provides sports and social connections for families with FASDs and other I/DD

The Tanagram Way

Offers virtual social groups and activties: bingo, book club, music club, afternoon social group, caregiver corner group, pre-recorded art lessons



Online Resources

FASD Information

- A South Carolina FASD Resource Directory from FASD United
- About Fetal Alcohol Syndrome from Job Accommodation Network
- Supporting Employment in Individuals with FASD: A Guide for Employment Professionals from the Canada FASD Research Network
- <u>Supporting Success for Adults with FASD</u> from Community Living British Columbia
- Towards Healthy Outcomes: A Framework for Integrated Community Intervention from the Canada FASD Research Network
- Understanding Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Information for Parents and Careers from NHS Ayrshire and Arran
- What Parents and Caregivers Need to Know about Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder from Healthy Child Manitoba

IEP Transition

- Indiana Secondary Transition Resource Center from Indiana University Bloomington
- Individualized Transition Plans-Writing Plans that are Effective and Compliant video from Gwen Palafox, PhD
- What is IEP Transition Planning? from Understood.com
- What is the Transition Planning Process for Students with Disabilities? from The Iris Center

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