

2016

MYTransitions Region 5 Council and Conference Feedback Improve Youth Transition to Adult Resources in a Seamless Fashion

2016 Region 5 MYTransition Council barriers and needs for youth:

- Explore **multi media outreach** and online training for students and parents.
- **Transportation** and getting to meetings outside of school/work hours
- **Time management and organization training** such as prioritization of daily activities, setting up and maintaining a calendar schedule.
- **More self-advocacy and disability awareness training** for students and parents
- **Encouraging strengths of youth** including learning how to describe how they learn best on a job or completing other daily activities.

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- **Transportation** - rides for those who don't drive from school or home to work.
- Rural Schools expanding their internal training and Pre-ETS services.
- **Finances** to include understanding SSI, Medicaid, Medicare, Work programs and affects on income, payees, guardianship, and bridging the gap between SSI and Mental Health.
- **Parents/Peer sharing resources through transition age.** Understanding support and resources such as local PLUK contact, transition specialist and IL staff.
- **Post secondary support and services in college.** Understanding the gap in services from a 2-4 year college, communicating accommodations needs, clarifying TRIO and Disability Student **Services role.**
- **Housing** that is affordable and accessible.
- **Continued Coordination between service providers** such as high schools, youth, parents, IL, VRBS etc.