



## INFORMATION SERIES

### Transition Services from School to Work

## NATIONAL RESOURCES

### Advocacy

- **Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (AG Bell)**  
The Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing helps families, health care providers and education professionals understand childhood hearing loss and the importance of early diagnosis and intervention. Through advocacy, education, research and financial aid, AG Bell helps to ensure that every child and adult with hearing loss has the opportunity to listen, talk and thrive in mainstream society. Website: [www.listeningandspokenlanguage.org](http://www.listeningandspokenlanguage.org)
- **American Society for Deaf Children (ASDC)**  
The American Society for Deaf Children is committed to empowering diverse families with deaf children and youth by embracing full access to language-rich environments through mentoring, advocacy, resources, and collaborative networks. Website: [www.deafchildren.org](http://www.deafchildren.org)
- **Center for Parent Information and Resources (CPIR)**  
The Center for Parent Information and Resources serves as a central resource of information and products to the community of Parent Training Information (PTI) Centers and the Community Parent Resource Centers (CPRCs), so that they can focus their efforts on serving families of children with disabilities. Website: [www.parentcenterhub.org](http://www.parentcenterhub.org)
- **Hands & Voices (H&V)**  
Hands & Voices is dedicated to supporting families with children who are DHH without a bias around communication modes or methodology. We're a parent-driven, non-profit organization providing families with the resources, networks, and information they need to improve communication access and educational outcomes for their children. Our outreach activities, parent/professional collaboration, and advocacy

efforts are focused on enabling DHH children to reach their highest potential.

Website: [www.handsandvoices.org](http://www.handsandvoices.org)

- **Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA)**

The Hearing Loss Association of America is to open the world of communication to people with hearing loss by providing information, education, support and advocacy.

Website: [www.hearingloss.org](http://www.hearingloss.org)

- **Helen Keller National Center**

The mission of the Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults is to enable each person who is deaf-blind to live and work in his or her community of choice.

Website: [www.hknc.org](http://www.hknc.org)

- **Laurent Clerc National Deaf Education Center**

The Clerc Center raises the achievement of deaf and hard of hearing students ages birth-21 nationwide by supporting the families and professionals who work with these students.

Website:

[www.gallaudet.edu/clerc\\_center/information\\_and\\_resources/info\\_to\\_go/transition\\_to\\_adulthood](http://www.gallaudet.edu/clerc_center/information_and_resources/info_to_go/transition_to_adulthood)

- **National Association of the Deaf (NAD)**

The mission of the National Association of the Deaf is to preserve, protect and promote the civil, human and linguistic rights of deaf and hard of hearing people in the United States of America.

Website: [www.nad.org](http://www.nad.org)

- **National Collaborative on Workforce and Disability for Youth (NCWD/Youth)**

The 411 on Disability Disclosure: A Workbook for Youth with Disabilities is designed for youth and adults working with them to learn about disability disclosure. This workbook helps young people make informed decisions about whether or not to disclose their disability and understand how that decision may impact their education, employment, and social lives.

Website: <http://www.ncwd-youth.info/411-on-disability-disclosure>

- **National Center for Learning Disabilities (NCLD)**

The mission of NCLD is to improve the lives of the one in five children and adults nationwide with learning and attention issues—by empowering parents and young adults, transforming schools and advocating for equal rights and opportunities. We're working to create a society in which every individual possesses the academic, social and emotional skills needed to succeed in school, at work and in life.

Website: [www.nclid.org](http://www.nclid.org)

- **National Center on Secondary Education and Transition (NCSET)**

The National Center on Secondary Education and Transition coordinates national resources, offers technical assistance, and disseminates information related to secondary education and transition for youth with disabilities in order to create opportunities for youth to achieve successful futures.

Website: [www.ncset.org](http://www.ncset.org)

- **Office for Civil Rights (OCR)**

OCR ensure equal access to education and to promote educational excellence throughout the nation through vigorous enforcement of civil rights.

Website: [www.hhs.gov/ocr](http://www.hhs.gov/ocr)

- **Pepnet 2**  
Pepnet2 increases the educational, career and lifetime choices available to individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. Website: [www.pepnet.org](http://www.pepnet.org)
  - **Perkins**  
The Perkins mission is to provide education and services that build productive, meaningful lives for children and adults around the world who are blind, deafblind or visually impaired, including those with additional disabilities.  
Website: [www.perkins.org/school/community-programs/transition-services](http://www.perkins.org/school/community-programs/transition-services)
  - **WrightsLaw**  
Wrightslaw provides accurate, reliable information about special education law, education law, and advocacy for children with disabilities.  
Website: [www.wrightslaw.com](http://www.wrightslaw.com)
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## Educational

- **The College Board**  
The College Board is a mission-driven not-for-profit organization that connects students to college success and opportunity.  
Website: <https://myroad.collegeboard.com/myroad/navigator.jsp>
  - **National Secondary Transition Technical Assistance Center (NSTTAC)**  
NSTTAC provides technical assistance (TA) and disseminate information on (a) implementing and scaling up evidence-based practices leading to improved academic and functional achievement for students with disabilities, preparing them for college or other postsecondary education and training and the workforce; (b) implementing policies, procedures, and practices to facilitate and increase participation of students with disabilities in programs and initiatives designed to ensure college- and career-readiness; and (c) achieving 100% compliance with IDEA, Part B Indicator 13 (I-13). Website: [www.nsttac.org](http://www.nsttac.org)
  - **US Department of Education (ED)**  
ED promotes student achievement and preparation for global competitiveness by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access.  
Website: [www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov)
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## Employment

- **Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)**  
The Occupational Outlook Handbook tells you the training and education needed, earnings, expected job prospects, what workers do on the job, working conditions, job

search tips, links to information about the job marked and more.

Website: [www.bls.gov/oooh](http://www.bls.gov/oooh)

- **Hearing Loss Association of America's Employment Toolkit**

The Hearing Loss Association of America is to open the world of communication to people with hearing loss by providing information, education, support and advocacy.

Website: [www.cdhh.ri.gov/documents/resources/HLAA\\_Employment\\_Toolkit\\_2009.pdf](http://www.cdhh.ri.gov/documents/resources/HLAA_Employment_Toolkit_2009.pdf)

- **Individualized Learning Plan (ILP)**

You may have heard about something called an Individualized Learning Plan (ILP).

Maybe you've even got one! If you do have one, you have a choice: 1) Start it and treat it like any other assignment, or 2) KICKSTART it into an experience that empowers you to take charge of your future. Website: [www.dol.gov/odep/ilp/Kickstart.htm](http://www.dol.gov/odep/ilp/Kickstart.htm)

- **Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP)**

ODEP's mission is to develop and influence policies and practices that increase the number and quality of employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

Website: [www.dol.gov/odep](http://www.dol.gov/odep)

- **US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)**

EEOC's mission is to stop and remedy unlawful employment discrimination.

Website: [www.eeoc.gov](http://www.eeoc.gov)

- **US Department of Labor (DOL)**

DOL's mission is to foster, promote, and develop the welfare of the wage earners, job seekers, and retirees of the United States; improve working conditions; advance opportunities for profitable employment; and assure work-related benefits and rights.

Website: [www.dol.gov](http://www.dol.gov)

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