GOVERNOR’S TRANSITIONING YOUTH INITIATIVE (GTYI) TIMELINE

**BEFORE AGE 18:** Apply to DDA and DORS

**AGE 18:** Apply for SSI and Medical Assistance

**AGE 19:** Explore post-secondary options

**AGE 20:** Contact, interview & choose your provider

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**Before final school year starts/over the summer**
- Apply for SSI and Medical Assistance, if not already completed
- Meet with your Service Coordinator to discuss transition planning
- Start gathering important information- birth certificate, SS card, school records, medical records
- Talk to your SC about what information is needed

**After school starts/September-November**
- Invite your SC to the IEP meeting
- Attend local transition events- ask your school or SC for specific information
- Meet, interview, visit at least 3 providers
- Start filling out the provider application(s)

**Before the Christmas/Winter Break**
- Select 1 provider (and a back up) and tell your SC and school transition contact
- Start gathering waiver financial documents over the break - ask your SC for more information

**After the New Year**
- Apply for the waiver, provide needed financial documents to your Service Coordinator
- Provide needed information to your chosen provider (i.e. medical information, ID, SS card) - talk to your chosen provider for more information
- Share with your chosen provider/SC if you plan to start later services later than July 1st
- Ask your SC about transportation options- apply for mobility/paratransit, if needed

**Around Spring Break**
- Review your Service Funding Plan

**After Graduation**
- Services will start on or after July 1st, depending on funding and submission of all documentation
- Attend Individual Plan meeting 30 days after services start to determine goals for the upcoming year

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**Key:**
- SC = Service Coordinator
- GTYI = Governor’s Transitioning Youth Initiative
- SSI = Supplemental Security Income
- MA = Medical Assistance
- DDA = Developmental Disabilities Administration
- DORS = Division of Rehabilitation Services
- IEP = Individual Education Plan

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*Note: All dates are approximate. Please keep frequent communication with your Service Coordinator and school transition contact to ensure timely access to services.*
TRANSITIONING RESOURCES

Service Coordination, Inc. provides services throughout the Central, Southern and Western DDA Regions of Maryland

Service Coordination, Inc.
www.servicecoord.org, 301-663-8044

Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA)
http://dda.health.maryland.gov, 877-463-3464

Maryland Department of Disabilities
www.mdod.maryland.gov, 800-637-4113

Maryland Transitioning Youth Website
www.mdtransition.org, 800-637-4113

Department of Rehabilitation Services
www.dors.state.md.us, 888-554-0334

Social Security Administration
www.ssa.gov, 800-772-1213

Maryland Health Connection
www.marylandhealthconnection.gov, 855-642-8572

Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council
www.md-council.org, 800-305-6441

Disability Rights Maryland
(Formerly Maryland Disability Law Center)
www.disabilityrightsmd.org, 800-233-7201

Maryland Technology Assistance Program
www.mdod.maryland.gov/mdtap, 800-832-4827

The Arc of Maryland
www.thearcmd.org

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