

OUR PROCESS PUTS YOU FIRST

SCI provides quality case management services by helping individuals with developmental disabilities make choices that positively affect their lives. We work with people who are receiving services funded by the Maryland State Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA), and people who are applying for DDA services.



WHERE DO YOU WANT TO LIVE?

Community Support

SCI is currently the largest case management agency in Maryland, serving more than 14,000 people. We offer a mobile workforce and technological capabilities which allows us to serve in the following counties: Allegany, Anne Arundel, Baltimore City, Baltimore, Charles, Calvert, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Howard, Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's, and Washington.

We believe that:

1. Every person has the right to choose the kind of life they want to live
2. Acceptance by family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, and the public are essential ingredients for success in any community
3. Real community inclusion happens when individuals are welcomed into and supported by communities where they choose to live

Working Together

When you work with an SCI Service Coordinator, you'll develop individualized strategies to support your unique goals and needs. Our role is to:

- Explain the DDA Transition Process (GTYI)
- Attend your Transition IEP
- Connect you to community resources
- Provide you and your family with a list of local licensed DDA service providers and Self Directed services
- Assist with questions about what to ask providers when you interview with them
- Assist you and your family to ensure that you are getting the services and support mandated in your plan



WHAT SUPPORT IS RIGHT FOR YOU?



SCI is accredited based on The Standards for Excellence Institute® which promotes the highest standards for ethics, effectiveness, and accountability in nonprofit governance, management, and operations.

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Let's find out!

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TRANSITIONING YOUTH

A Service Coordination guide for young adults and their families.



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WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO?

As you transition from school into the next phase of your life, you may be working hard to figure out the services and opportunities available in your community. Service Coordination, Inc. (SCI) is here to help you navigate this exciting time.

Would you like to work, volunteer, build employment skills, or develop your independence at home and in your community? At SCI, we provide case management services to people with disabilities. We want to help everyone understand their options and connect them to community resources that support their goals. We always prioritize the dignity and rights of others. What support is right for you?



Who are Transitioning Youth?

Students transitioning from school to adult services are often called “Transitioning Youth.” The formal transition process typically begins at age 14 with thoughtful planning and preparation for adulthood and continues until the student leaves school. Eligible students with developmental disabilities are entitled to remain in school until the year of their 21st birthday. Students (and those who turn 21 years old during the current school year regardless of enrollment in school) who meet eligibility and financial criteria may access GTYI funds and DDA services.



Who is Eligible?

Unlike school services, DDA services through the GTYI are not an entitlement. Students must meet specific eligibility requirements. Access to funding and services depends upon:

- DDA Eligibility requirements
- Medical Assistance and financial requirements
- Funding Availability
- Timeframe requirements



What is the Governor’s Transitioning Youth Initiative?

The Governor’s Transitioning Youth Initiative (GTYI) is a program that supports students to obtain vocational or day supports to work successfully or volunteer. These supports enable individuals to participate in and contribute to their communities safely and successfully. The Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) and the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) funds transitioning youth supports and services.

Guide for Accessing Transitioning Youth Services

Not sure where to begin? Here’s how to get started:

1 Print and Complete the DDA application Instructions along with English- and Spanish-language applications may be found online at: <https://dda.health.maryland.gov/pages/howtoapply.aspx>

2 Mail your application to the appropriate DDA office listed on last page of the application with documentation of the disability. Need help?

- Central Region
1-877-874-2494
- Western Region
1-888-791-0193
- Southern Region
1-888-207-2479

3 Complete a face-to-face eligibility interview. A Coordinator of Community Services or DDA staff member may conduct the interview.

Additional Services for Transitioning Youth

DORS

Apply for services through the Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) at the age of 18. DORS may provide job training support and development prior to and after graduation. Learn more at www.dors.state.md.us or 1-888-554-0334.

SSI

Apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) with the Social Security Administration at the age of 18. This information is necessary to start DDA funded services in a timely manner. Learn more at www.ssa.gov or call 1-800-772-1213.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Apply for Medical Assistance at the age of 18. This information is necessary to receive DDA-funded services in a timely manner. Learn more at:

- <https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov> or call 877-463-3464
- <https://www.marylandhealthconnection.gov> or call or 855-642-8572

TRANSPORTATION

Apply for the para-transit or reduced fare transportation service in your county. Learn more at <http://mta.maryland.gov/content/lots> or call 1-866-743-3682



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