

# Preparing for Life After High School

## *A Transition Webinar Series*

We are pleased to host a series of evening webinars that address topics of importance when students are preparing to leave high school and enter adulthood. Webinars are led by local experts in their respective fields.

**When:** 2022-2023, Various dates

Start time: 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Online – Zoom meeting

**Who:** All Are Welcome

**Cost:** Free

**Pre-registration is required.**

For information on how to register and attend these live events, go to:

[www.nassauboces.org/transitionwebinars](http://www.nassauboces.org/transitionwebinars).

There you will find a brief description of each webinar as well as the link you will need to join each event. We invite you to attend as many webinars as you would like.

### Upcoming Topics & Dates:

Supporting Your Child's Mental Health  
November 1, 2022

OPWDD Supports & Services  
November 15, 2022

Overview of Legal Issues:  
Guardianship & Estate Planning  
December 7, 2022

Single Point of Access (SPOA)  
Connecting to Mental Health Services  
January 11, 2023

College Planning  
February 7, 2023

Transitioning to Adulthood with Vision  
and Other Sensory Needs  
March 14, 2023

ACCES-VR  
April 19, 2023

Medicaid, SSI & SSD  
May 9, 2023

Pathways to Graduation  
May 23, 2023

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**Transition Webinar Seminars:**

The webinars listed below are on topics that are important as students prepare to leave school and enter adulthood. Review the descriptions to see which ones relate best to your child. You may attend as many webinars as you choose. All webinars will begin at 7 p.m. and will run for about 45 minutes. Pre-registration is required. Please click on the Zoom link for the webinar(s) you are interested in attending and complete the simple registration process. Prior to the webinar, please visit Zoom.us and download Zoom onto your computer. Visit [www.nassauboces.org/transitionwebinars](http://www.nassauboces.org/transitionwebinars) for more information about registration.

<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Webinar Topic</b>	<b>Presenter</b>	<b>Webinar Description</b>
November 1, 2022 7:00 p.m.	<b>Supporting Your Child's Mental Health Needs After High School</b>  Zoom Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_jmBLX5nCS1yOMnk6ZvpeRw">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_jmBLX5nCS1yOMnk6ZvpeRw</a>	<b>Sondra Siegel-Rakitovan</b> Family Peer Supervisor <b>Caryl Svendsen-Deiches</b> Family Peer Advocate and Family Engagement Specialist Family and Children's Association	A review of benefits and limitations on parental involvement in a child's mental health treatment after turning 18 years of age; general information about guardianship and the application process when adult children refuse parental involvement but still need the support of a parent.
November 15, 2022 7:00 p.m.	<b>Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD):</b> Overview of Supports and Services for People with Developmental Disabilities  Zoom Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_h5f4wtSDSUWku67Mp21img">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_h5f4wtSDSUWku67Mp21img</a>	<b>Dorothea Daniels</b> LI Regional Coordinator Parent to Parent	A review of the process of applying for OPWDD eligibility, what the Front Door is, and a brief overview of what to expect after the Front Door
December 7, 2022 7:00 p.m.	<b>Overview of Legal Issues:</b> Guardianship & Estate Planning  Zoom Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_0BJJeaArSOOkwR-qjQD1nw">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_0BJJeaArSOOkwR-qjQD1nw</a>	<b>Andrew Cohen, Esq.</b> Attorney, Law Offices of Andrew M. Cohen <b>Mitch Weisbrot</b> Special Care Planner	A review of how to legally protect children with intellectual disabilities through establishing guardianship, estate planning, wills, and special needs trusts
January 11, 2023 7:00 p.m.	<b>Single Point of Access (SPOA):</b> Connecting to Mental Health Services, Providers and Benefits  Zoom Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1woRSR3aTTKAjWyY89iuVg">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1woRSR3aTTKAjWyY89iuVg</a>	<b>Kathryn Artesani, LMSW</b> Nassau County Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health, Chemical Dependency & Developmental Disabilities Services	How the SPOA Program helps connect people to mental health services, assist with provider communication, and help find benefits
February 7, 2023 7:00 p.m.	<b>College Planning:</b> Services for Students with Disabilities  Zoom Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_18ERSBCfR229kvk1Pp4Lag">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_18ERSBCfR229kvk1Pp4Lag</a>	<b>Julie Yindra</b> , Director Student Access Services Hofstra University <b>Gina Esposito-Sales</b> , Counselor Center for Students with Disabilities Nassau Community College	A review of how students entering college may access accommodations there and will highlight issues that affect the decision to do so as well as other aspects of college life
March 14, 2023 7:00 p.m.	<b>Transitioning to Adulthood with Vision and Other Sensory Needs</b>  Zoom Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_kNk_mZa5TniF8a5jL78Jg">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_kNk_mZa5TniF8a5jL78Jg</a>	<b>Susanne Morgan Morrow</b> , Project Director, New York Deaf-Blind Collaborative (NYDBC), Queens College <b>Paola Nappo Ficarra</b> , District Manager, NYS Office of Children and Family Services, Commission for the Blind (NYSCB)	A review of issues pertinent to students with vision and/or other sensory needs as they transition to adulthood.
April 19, 2023 7:00 p.m.	<b>ACCES-VR:</b> Assisting People with Disabilities to Obtain and Maintain Employment  Zoom Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_X1PPtGMvTyaEa4Ogp7x8lg">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_X1PPtGMvTyaEa4Ogp7x8lg</a>	<b>Daniel DeLuca</b> Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor Adult Career & Continuing Education Services - Vocational Rehabilitation	A review of how ACCES-VR assists people with disabilities to achieve and maintain employment and support independent living, through training, education, rehabilitation and career development
May 9, 2023 7:00 p.m.	<b>Medicaid, SSI &amp; SSD:</b> Overview of Eligibility and Benefits  Zoom Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_G5SKZiE4S8ibDxUkyn6VMw">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_G5SKZiE4S8ibDxUkyn6VMw</a>	<b>Tom Schinkel</b> Assistant Director of Benefits & Entitlements Care Design, New York	A review of requirements for eligibility for Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income and Social Security Disability and the difference between SSI and SSD
May 23, 2023 7:00 p.m.	<b>Pathways to Graduation:</b> Requirements for Local and Regents Diplomas and the CDOS Commencement Credential  Zoom Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_W8Ek-uRLSrOXTQBdlnvJAJ">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_W8Ek-uRLSrOXTQBdlnvJAJ</a>	<b>Kenneth Anderson, MS Ed, CRC</b> <b>Kristin Burke, MS Ed</b> <b>Kristen Gaglio, MS Ed, BSSW</b> Transition Specialists Long Island Regional Partnership Center Center for Community Inclusion Long Island University	A review of the multiple safety net options available to students with IEP's to achieve a local or Regents diploma, including the Superintendents Determination, and how CDOS Credential requirements relate to this option