

EVERYTHING TO THINK ABOUT WITH TRANSITION

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- College graduate, University of the Ozarks
- Licensed driver at 23
- Future KC Royals cameraman

Our Motto ~ don't tell me it's impossible until after I'm finished!



TRANSITIONING TO ADULTHOOD

Milestones take time

- College Graduate
- Driver's License

Focus on the positive

- Promote what he/she does well
- Stay patient and positive

CDDO/REGIONAL CENTERS

- Home and Community Based Services
 - I/DD Waiver – KS 10-12 year wait list
 - In-home supports to live independently
 - Residential Services
 - Targeted Case Management
 - [https://www.kdads.ks.gov/commissions/home-community-based-services-\(hcbs\)/programs/i-dd](https://www.kdads.ks.gov/commissions/home-community-based-services-(hcbs)/programs/i-dd)
- Kansas – Community Developmental Disability Organization (CDDO)
 - Johnson County 913.826.2626



SOCIAL SECURITY

- Supplemental Security Income
 - How to apply
<https://www.ssa.gov/benefits/disability/>
 - Use for any expense related to individual
 - May work
 - \$2000 resource limitation
 - Receive up to \$914 month
 - SSDI – Social Security Disability Insurance – this is for those who have worked

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

- WIOA – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act
 - President Barack Obama signed WIOA into law on July 22, 2014. WIOA is designed to help job seekers access employment, education, training, and support services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy. Congress passed the Act by a wide bipartisan majority; it is the first legislative reform in 15 years of the public workforce system.
- Pre-ETS (Kansas)
- PETS (Missouri)
- Job assistance/Job Coaching
- Employment Training/Education
- Competitive Integrated Employment
- Working Healthy Program (Kansas)



POST- SECONDARY

KU – TPE

Thrive – UCM

Access Services – JCCC

Clear Program - JCCC

Arkansas – Autism Program

University of Ozarks – Jones Learning Center

Think College - <https://thinkcollege.net/>

SPECIAL NEEDS TRUSTS ABLE ACCOUNTS

- **Special Needs Trust**
- Protected Asset
- Consult with Attorney and Financial Advisor
- **Able (Achieving a Better Life Experience) Accounts**
- Limits – 15,000/100,000/370,000
- Investing, Grows tax free, No claw back
- https://www.kansasstatetreasurer.com/able_savings.html

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GUARDIANSHIP VS. SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING

- Supported Decision Making
- Medical Power of Attorney (POA)
- Limited POA – Financial
- Release of Information (ROI)
- Guardianship – Full vs. Limited
 - Voting/Driving/Marriage Rights can remain intact
- Revoking Guardianship

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- Drivers Education Courses - JCCC
 - Free state id to those registered to vote
 - DE-VID1
- <https://www.ksrevenue.org/pdf/DE-VID1.pdf>

DRIVERS LICENSE/ STATE ID – KANSAS

CHARTING THE LIFECOURSE



Core Belief:

All people have the right to live, love, work, play and pursue their life aspirations in their community.

- Principles
- Star
- Trajectory
 - Individual
 - Family
- www.lifecoursetools.com

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

- Families Together, Inc/MPACT
- Disability Rights Center
 - Kansas Disability Rights Center
- SACK – Self-Advocate Coalition of Kansas
- Council on Developmental Disabilities KS
- Special Olympics
- JCCC Autism Club – must be degree seeking student
- Independent Living Centers
 - The Whole Person – Offices in KS

SUPPORT GROUPS

- Form your own
 - Start with one person then each invite another
- Kansas City Autism Spot – Facebook
- Autism Society – Heartland
<http://www.asaheartland.org/>



GIRLS NIGHT OUT

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Girls Night Out



Connect with us!

Family Education Series

GNO Alumni Share Their Views of
Acceptance

Co-Sponsor: GNO

Join us on Zoom or Facebook!



Thursday, April 13th
6:00 - 7:30 pm CST

Register at
www.tinyurl.com/EducSeries

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QUESTIONS

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