Orange County Local Partnership Agreement (OCLPA)
Transition Resources 9-9-2022
Google Drive
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1KvQIZLOO1w7WlNkWvmDvWtcR3ZG9Y2OE?u

- **Please send your Transition Related Resources & Student Learning Strategies to linda_oneal@cox.net so we can share with each other on our TPI OCLPA Google Drive. We need items that pertain to all stakeholders, including students, families, adults with disabilities, educational staff, administrators, service providers, community colleges, universities, and any other interested individuals.**
- **Consider providing newsletters/emails and other social media to your students, families, co-workers, and business partners to ensure they get needed information.**
- **Resources are also placed on the Chapman University Thompson Policy Institute transitionca.org Web Site.**

RESOURCES

1. **Connections California: Transition to Adulthood Program Guide Fall 2022 (Parents Helping Parents) (Richard Rosenberg, CU TPI)**
   "It's never too early or too late to start exploring the many options available for the transition to adulthood."
   - Connections California, the newest program from Parents Helping Parents, is designed to help YOU find the unique resources and critical information you need to create the smoothest transition to adulthood possible alongside your loved one!
   - In Connections California, you'll find a comprehensive online hub of content, webinars you can attend, E-Learning videos you can watch at your own pace, downloadable E-Packets, and more!
   - Use this Connections California Program Guide to see the wide array of events offered, register for webinars, and share events with your loved one's transition team!
   (Please see the CCP Guide on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

2. **Social Security Administration Fact Sheet**
   Social Security & Supplemental Security Income (SSI): What's the Difference?
   There is often confusion about Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) because you apply for both programs with the Social Security Administration. **But, the programs are different.**
   The Social Security benefit programs are "entitlement" programs. This means that workers, employers and the self-employed pay for the benefits with their Social Security taxes. The taxes that are collected are put into special trust funds. You qualify for these benefits based on your work history (or your spouse or parent). The amount of the benefit is based on these earnings.

   SSI is a needs-based program for people with limited income and resources. Resources are assets or things that you own. The program is paid for by general tax revenues -- not from the Social Security trust funds. The benefit amount is based on Federal and State laws which take into account where you live, who lives with you and what income you receive.
   (Please see the fact sheet on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

3. **What is a 504 Plan? What is the difference between a 504 Plan & and IEP?**
   "Based on Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. This federal Act prohibits

the discrimination of students with disabilities in public school systems and ensures these students receive the educational supports they need to succeed in school.

If a student's disability does not impair them enough to need specialized education services, then a 504 may be obtained (if the student is qualified) instead of an IEP."
(Please see the information sheet on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

4. **Building a Future That Works: Extended Reality (XR)**
   https://www.peatworks.org/futureofwork/xr/
   Extended reality (XR) is an umbrella term to describe virtual, augmented, and mixed reality technologies. XR is changing the way we interact with the world around us and will, undoubtedly, shape the future of work. In fact, companies are already using these immersive technologies to train staff, enhance collaboration, and market products and services.

   As XR becomes more widespread, many people stand to benefit from using these systems in their everyday lives. In the workplace, XR can be a powerful tool for employers, employees, and job seekers. It has the potential to support mission-critical functions, increase productivity, and remove barriers to employment. Yet, if XR is not developed with inclusivity and accessibility at the forefront, people with disabilities may be left behind.

   The Partnership on Employment & Accessible Technology (PEAT) created this Toolkit to help employers understand the value of using accessible extended reality (XR) technologies in hybrid work environments. After reading this Toolkit, you will better understand how to procure accessible XR technologies for your workplace. You will also learn how to use these technologies in ways that include all employees equally,
   See the Inclusive XR & Hybrid Work Toolkit
   https://www.peatworks.org/inclusive-xr-toolkit/

5. **Orange County Asperger's Support Group**
   (Judi Uttal, OCASG)
   The OCASG provided no cost and fee for participation options for IWD with Autism and families. Check out the website and videos. **https://ocaspergers.org/**
   (Please see the OCASG Activities for September 2022 on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

6. **Department of Justice, Service Animal Information**
   The Department of Justice continues to receive many questions about how the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) applies to service animals. The ADA requires State and local government agencies, businesses, and non-profit organizations (covered entities) that provide goods or services to the public to make "reasonable modifications" in their policies, practices, or procedures when necessary to accommodate people with disabilities. The service animal rules fall under this general principle. A service animal needs to do a task for the person with a disability that it helps. The task must be something you can watch the animal do.
   The documents provided include:
   - What is a Service Animal?
   - Frequently Asked Questions about Service Animals and the ADA
   - Disability Rights Laws in Public Primary & Secondary Education
   For additional information …go to the Service Animal Resource Hub.
   https://adata.org/service-animal-resource-hub
   (Please see these documents on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

7. **SCDD Back to School Resource Guide**
    California State Council on Developmental Disabilities scdd@scdd.ca.gov
    Contents include:
    - Special Education Rights & Responsibilities Manual
    - IEP Strategy Guide (English & Spanish)
    - Requesting Compensatory Services After Distance Learning
    - Center for Parent Information & Resources
    - Special Education Resources
    - California Parent Organizations
    - Community Resources & Public Benefits
      English document link
      Spanish document link

8. **ABLE Account Decision Guide Series**
    Determining Whether Something is a Qualified Disability Expense
    https://www.ablenrc.org/determining-whether-something-is-a-qualified-disability-expense-qde/
    This guidance should be useful to the ABLE account owner and to their circle of support who is assisting, advising or making decisions with the ABLE account owner. Our ABLE Decision Guide Series is designed as an aid to decision making as it relates to establishing and using an ABLE account. This document does not cover every possible issue related to the topic and is not a substitute to more in-depth analysis that may be required in some cases.

EDUCATION

Fall 2022 Class/Program Offerings at our local Post-Secondary Education Sites…

9. **Saddleback College (Stacy Eldred, Saddleback College)**
    Check out the Fall 2022 Schedule
    (Please see the schedule on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

10. **Workforce Preparation for Adults with Disabilities at Santiago Canyon College**
    (Angela Guevara, SCC)
    www.sccollege.edu/OEC
    Tuition Free Classes are designed to provide students with instruction and experience that will improve possibilities of being considered for future employment and internship opportunities (such as the Paid Internship Program and Project SEARCH Programs for persons receiving services through the Regional Center of Orange County)
    For registration and class information, please call…
    (714-628-5900)   sccollege.edu/awd or contact…
    Angela Guevara   guevara_angela@sccollege.edu
    (Please see the flyer on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

11. **2022 Coastline College Vocational Programs (Rachele Lopez, CCC)**
    Fall Semester 2022 Cohort…accepting applications
    - Animal Care

- Guest Services
- Culinary Arts
- Porter Program
- Music Basics Program

For more information, please contact…Katie Stubblefield)
rlopez@coastline.edu

12. **NOCE Workforce Development Programs**
    (Lorri Guy & Lara Rolfman, (NOCE)

College 2 Career	Mobility Training Brochure
ARISE Information	ARISE Mindfulness Mondays
ARISE Events	Workability III
DSS Comprehensive Programs	DSS Brochure
Independent Voc. & Ed Support Programs (IVES)	Work Independence Self-Advocacy Education (WISE)

Browse the NOCE Class Schedule to select courses that are right for you!
For more information, please contact…Lori Guy) lguy@noce.edu

13. **North Orange County Regional Occupational Program (ROP)**
    https://www.nocrop.org/
    We are committed to providing the best hands-on learning experiences to high school, jr. high school, and adult students in North Orange County to develop skills using industry-approved curriculum that is relevant in today's economy.
    Now enrolling for the following certificate programs:
    - Nursing Assistant
    - Dental Assistant
    - Licensed Vocational Nurse
    - Medical Assistant
      (714) 502-5800

CONFERENCES/FAIRS/WEBINARS/PODCASTS/VIDEOS

14. **John Wayne Airport Job Fair (Arturo Hernandez, DOR)**
    September 17, 2022   9:00 AM-2:00 PM
    JWA Administration Building'3160 Airway Ave, Costa Mesa
    Airport Commission Room
    Free Parking
    (Please see the flyer on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

15. **DOR Services Webinar (Trinh van Erp, DOR)**
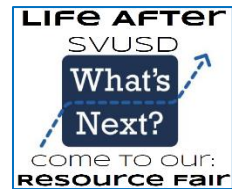   **Sponsored by (CUTPI, DOR & RCOC)**

    9-21-22, 6-7:30 PM

    Registration is required: Please send your name e-mail address to…
    transition@rcocdd.com.
    Translation Services available upon request!

16. **Life After SVUSD…What's Next, Come to Our Resource Fair**
    10-26-22   5:30-7:00 PM
    Esperanza Education Center
    25121 Pradera Drive
    Mission Viejo, CA 92691

    For more information, contact Ray Bueche at (949) 830-5302 or buecher@svusd.org
    (Please see the flyer on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

17. **Benefits Training (HIREABLE)**
    9-14-22   6:00 PM
    Register in advance for this meeting:
    https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYqf-GqqjMuE9dhMzVXbatzyrYmaIu8QWtE
    After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing the zoom link to join the meeting.
    For more information, contact Donna at **donna@hireable.org**

18. **RCOC Self-Determination Program (SDP)**
    On-line Orientation
    This training is the required first step for a participant interested in
    enrolling in the Self-Determination Program. Complete the 2-hour program at your own pace!
    RCOC SDP Coordinator…Cathy Furukawa (714) 796-5181
    cfururawa@rcocdd.com
    Register…
    https://rcocparent.arcalearn.org/Login/Login.aspx

19. **September Self-Advocacy Chat (Christine Tolbert, Orange County SCDD)**
    The California State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD)
    invites you to join the next monthly California Statewide Self-Advocacy
    Chat. There is a total of 12 California Statewide Self-Advocacy Chats
    planned for 2022, and SCDD encourages those who are interested to
    join in the conversation!
    What/Why: The "California Statewide Self-Advocacy Chats" provide self-advocates throughout
    California the chance to talk about topics that matter to them. After each meeting, resources and
    information related to the topics discussed will be shared with participants in a follow-up email.
    Information and resources shared are intended to help advocates learn about issues and advocate
    for change in their communities.
    Wednesday September 21, 2022, 11:00 AM
    If you are interested in sharing your advocacy story, need accommodations, and/or have
    questions related to the California Statewide Self-Advocacy Chats, please
    email riana.hardin@scdd.ca.gov or call 916-263-8196.

    At the end of the chat, there will be a poll and discussion about topics for future chats.
    https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIsfu-trzIrHdONEnAPc3rhvA0Ny9hP3CiD
    Zoom session details and registration:
    https://bit.ly/2022_caselfadvocacychats
    Meeting ID: 889 6996 7310
    Passcode: 119024   **Toll Free Number: 888-475-4499**

20. Managing Reduced Hours & Layoffs Webinar for OC Employers

9-20-22 10-11:30 AM

Many owners and managers may find themselves having to make significant and deeply emotional job-cut decisions in the coming months. With families, customers, and the businesses' future hanging in the balance, leaders must know and solidify their options to prevent lawsuits, reduce job cuts, and remain competitive in today's tough economy.

Register Today….**bit.ly/OCReduced-Hours**

(Please see the flyer on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

employers.org

The County of Orange has partnered with CEA to provide a NO-COST HR HOTLINE!
888.589.7577
Hotline Hours: Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

21. Disability Rights California Social Security Attorney Referral List

Please see the list of resources that may be of help to you. We do not know if any of the attorneys on this list will be able to take your case. You will have to ask them.

We do not have information about the fees the attorneys on this list charge. We do not have information about whether or not the attorneys on this list have malpractice insurance. You will have to ask them.

The State Bar of California recommends that before you meet with any attorneys you do some "comparison shopping." Call several lawyers and ask questions that might help you make your decision.

- Ask about the attorney's experience and when he or she last handled a similar case.
- Ask about fees.
- Ask about whether the attorney has malpractice insurance.
- Write down what the attorneys have to say.
- Take time to think it over.
- Then choose the attorney who seems right for you.

Additional information about how to select an attorney is available from the State Bar of California. You may reach the State Bar at the following location:
State Bar of California
Website: www.Calbar.ca.gov

Los Angeles Office
1149 South Hill Street
Los Angeles, CA 90015
Phone: 213-765-1000
(Please see the list on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

**The State Bar
of California**

22. SCDD Self-Determination Program Orientations

Department of Developmental Services

Department of Developmental Services (DDS) has partnered with State Council on
Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) to provide a statewide orientation and training
to all participants and families who are interested in participating in the

Self-Determination Program (SDP). The Statewide Self-Determination Program

SELF DETERMINATION

Orientation is one (1) Module that is two (2) hours in length.
To schedule an orientation, click here. **https://scdd.ca.gov/sdp-orientation/**
(Please see the SD Program Orientation Power Point on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

23. Adult Family Connection
 3rd Wednesday of every Month 6:30-7:30 PM
 Starting   9-21-2022
 Join us for this monthly gathering of caregivers where we discuss all-things future planning!
 Connecting parents of adult children with disabilities who have lived experience while gaining
 valuable knowledge, resources, and tools together.
 Facilitated by Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and former SCDD
 Orange County Regional Advisory Committee Member, Lisa M. Stanton
  ZOOM Link: **https://bit.ly/AdultFamilyConnection**
  (Please see the flyer on the TPI OCLPA Google Drive.)

**CALIFORNIA
SCDD
State Council on Developmental Disabilities**

24. Conservatorship & Alternatives Self-Paced Webinar

Are you interested in learning more about Conservatorships & Alternatives to Conservatorship?
The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) Orange County Office has launched
our newest ONLINE, SELF-PACED WEBINAR SERIES to help you learn the basics of
Conservatorship & Alternatives to Conservatorship from the comfort of your own device. A
certificate of participation will be emailed to you once you complete the series.
The 5-Part Series includes:
1. Rights and Responsibilities of Persons with IDD
2. Supported Decision-Making
3. Alternatives to Conservatorship
4. Conservatorship Basics, Types, and Expectations
5. Limited Conservatorship Powers, Conservatorship Process & Rights

Join us today! You can email us at orangecounty@scdd.ca.gov for registration.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

25. The Next Transition Resource List wil be sent on 10-14-22.