

# Transition Support Programme update 2009

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## Aiming High for Disabled Children

- Joint DCSF and DH programme
- Short breaks - £280m (+ 90m capital)
- **Childcare - £35 m**
- **Transition Support Programme - £19 m**
- **Parent Forums - £5 m**
- Individual Budgets
- **Centre of Excellence in Children and Family Services – early intervention ‘C4EO’**



## Transition Support Programme Why?

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- Disabled young people and their families need better support from local agencies working together.
- The programme has been developed to make sure support is available to local areas to work on improving practice and access to all services at transition.



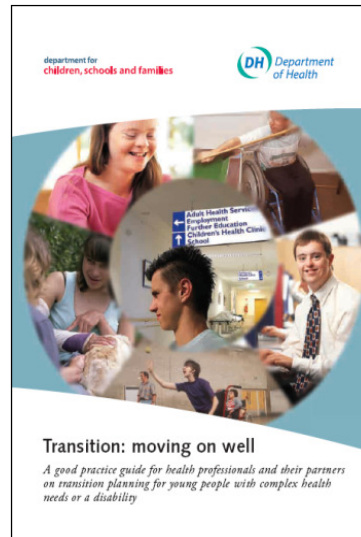
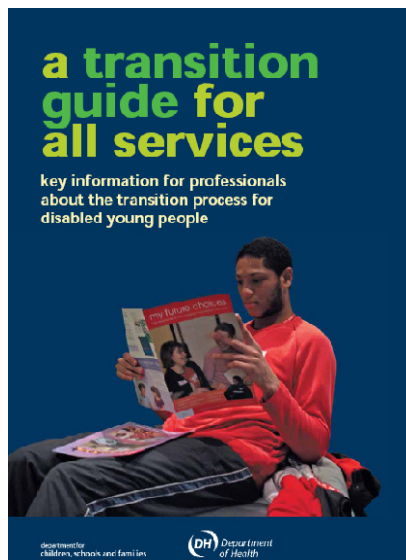
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## Participation Disabled Young People

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- Participation pack for local areas, -Speaking Up and Children's Society
  - Use of local advocacy services
  - Develop job for young person in core staff team
  - Advisory Board for young people
- Families**
- Information pack for parents on TSP, disseminated via NPPN
  - Links to Parent Forum developments
  - Places on TSP Advisory Board





## The Self Assessment Questionnaire - Key principles

- Multi-agency transition protocol & multi-agency working
- Information for young people & parents
- Person-centred transition reviews and participation
- Information Advice and Guidance – Connexions
- Post-16 Opportunities
- Leisure services
- Youth services and activities



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## Self Assessment Questionnaires

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- Year 1
- 147 local areas returned SAQs
- Every local area has had completed copy sent back to them
  - Can be used, alongside the Planning and Development Tool, to develop practice



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## Self Assessment Questionnaires

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- Have a protocol – **Yes – 50%**
- Do disabled young people have access to a key worker or lead professional during the transition process? **33%** said all young people do
- Are disabled young people supported to contribute to their transition process? **Most – 80%**
- Are disabled young people able to access individualised budgets at transition? **Yes – 24%**

**In development - 66%**



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## Self Assessment Questionnaires Health

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- Does the PCT have an identified lead on children's health? **Yes – 96%**
- Do disabled young people in transition have support with health planning? **Yes – 16%**
- Are there clear guidelines for Continuing Care referrals and arrangements? **Yes – 39%, In Development 56%**



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## Self Assessment Questionnaires

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- Thank you to all local areas!
- Lot of work put in to SAQs
- Feedback – the process of filling in SAQ useful
- Sign up from senior managers
- Next SAQ – September 2009



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# 'Year 1' local activity

- All areas got £10,000
- 13 areas got £37,500 additional funds
- Have to spend by March 2009
- Focus on local young people and families what they think should happen
- NTST working with on planning and learning.



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## Year 2 Offer

### Transition Support Programme

Local areas have completed a self-assessment questionnaire and have been matched to a tailored offer of support to help them improve their processes and the experience of disabled young people

**Offer 3**  
Regional adviser support days to move practice on from minimum standards

**Offer 2**  
Regional adviser support days to help benefit from networks & best practice

**Offer 1**  
Direct grant & NTST support to develop best practice and drive change in other areas

Universal Offer to support practice change everywhere:  
Funding to all local areas; access to development time from partners; information, regional hubs and networking



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# Year 2 The universal offer

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- **Funding**
- Funding from DCSF for every area
- **National Co-ordination and Planning**
- SAQ feedback, practice development co-ordination information and networking from NTST
- **Regional Support**
- Named regional advisors from CHaMP and National Strategies
- Access to HUB networks from National Strategies
- Regional events from CHaMP & National Strategies
- Engagement with GO's through CHaMP
- **Additional Offer**
- Transition Menu of support – NTST partners targeted resources



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### Rolling programme of Partner activity

- Association for Real Change - ARC
- Association for Children's Palliative Care - ACT
- Children's Society
- National centre for excellence in residential child care - NCERCC
- Speaking Up
- Scope
- National Autistic Society/Treehouse
- Paradigm
- FPLD
- Skill
- Mencap

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## Regional Support

- Valuing People
- Getting a Life sites
- Learning and Skills Council
- Centre for Excellence and Outcomes
- Commissioning Support Programme
- Together for Disabled Children



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## 5 focus areas for Year 2

- **Participation** of disabled young people and their families
- Effectiveness of **personalised approaches**
- **Joint assessments** processes within children's trusts and adult services
- Realistic **post 16 opportunities** for living life
- Strategic **joint partnership** working



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# Part of a mainstream agenda

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**Aiming high for disabled  
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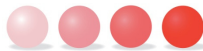
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**Aiming high for young people:  
a ten year strategy for  
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# Thank you

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