



# SEND 0-25 years

## Support for children and young people with SEND

The Gateshead Local Offer brings together information for children and young people aged 0-25 years with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and their families.

This includes information about services and support and advice and guidance on education, health, social care and transport.

Check it out on [www.gateshead-localoffer.org/](http://www.gateshead-localoffer.org/)

You can also keep up to date by following the Gateshead Local Offer Facebook page 

More information on transition can be found online at:  
[www.gateshead-localoffer.org/transition/](http://www.gateshead-localoffer.org/transition/)

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# Transition to Adulthood Easy Read Guide

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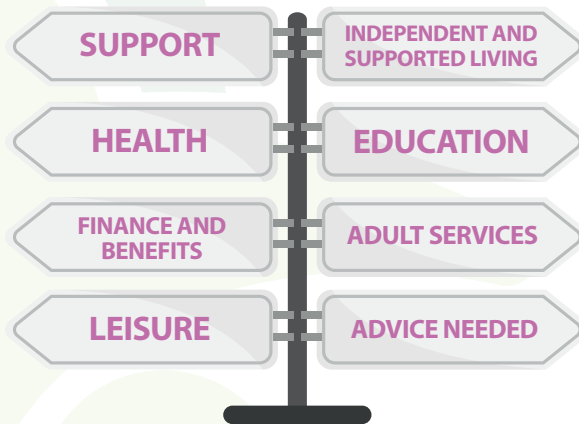
# What is transition?



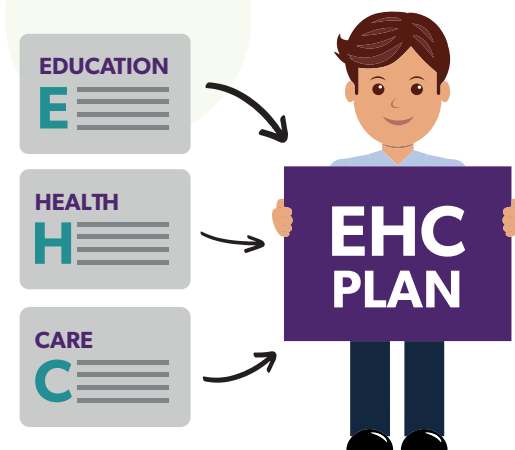
Transition means change, when a child becomes an adult at 18 years old.



This easy read guide will explain the transition process.



When you turn 14 we start planning for your future. A member of the team will attend your EHCP review in Year 9 and 12.



# The Transition Team



The Transition Team is part of adult social care at Gateshead Council

The team will help you plan for your future between the age of 18 and 25



We cannot help everyone. You need to have a diagnosis of a learning disability/autism or a physical disability.



## Your assessment



An assessment helps us to understand what is important to you now and in the future.

You are the most important person in this.



Your parents, family, carers, school, doctor and social worker may all be involved in your assessment.



Your social worker will meet you to carry out an assessment.

Your views are really important when planning your transition.

Think about what is important to you. For example, the type of things we could look to support you with.



## Next steps

**1** Your assessment will identify your strengths and what you may need help with.



**2** Your person centred care plan will tell us your desired outcomes and how you want these to be met.



**3** You may have to pay towards your support. This is called a financial contribution.



**4** We will check your care plan once a year to make sure you are happy and it is working for you.



## What people say

**Parent** - "Myself and my husband are so grateful for the smooth transition from Children's to Adults Services".

**Dryden School** - "The transition to adulthood can be a very worrying time for parents. The transitions Team explain what happens around social care provision at an early stage for families so some of their anxiety can be relieved and they can be informed about what is available for their child as they prepare for adulthood".

**Cedars Academy** - "I know from feedback from parents that Young People have gone on to access support directly from the advice given. The Teams knowledge and approach reassures parents and makes them feel more confident about what, for our Young People, is a big step into becoming an adult".

# Your assessment

## Community/Transport



## Toilet Needs



## Appropriately Clothed



## Nutrition



## Relationships



## Safety at Home

## Education and Work



## Personal Hygiene

