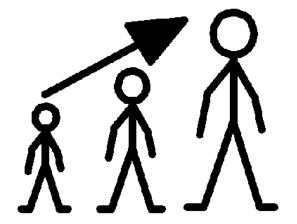
# When your child is 21 years old...

If there is an ongoing need for co-ordination of support the transition co-ordinator will hand over this responsibility to another member of the Adult Disability Service team as your child will be discharged of the transition coordinators caseload when they reach their 22nd birthday. This is likely to be someone who is currently actively involved in your sons or daughters support.

#### **Useful Contacts**

By logging into Signpost.gg you can look at all the services for children and young people and adult services that are available in Guernsey.





If you would like more information about the transition process or the Transition Coordinators role please call Adult Disability Services on 230000.





#### Introduction

This brief guide sets out information about the transition process between Child to Adult services and the role of the Transition Coordinator.

The transition to adult life can be a stressful time for young people and their families. The aim is therefore to make this journey as smooth as possible by:

- Providing clear information and a point of contact for young people and their families.
- Using information about a young person's wishes, strengths and needs to inform the planning of services at an early stage.
- Working alongside you to ensure your needs are understood.
- Co-ordinating this support so that everyone involved is clear about who is doing what to ensure that the transition to adult life is a positive experience.

#### When your child is 13 years old...

A professional who is working with your son or daughter will talk to you about making a referral to Adult Disability Services. Consent will be required for this referral.

The Transition Co-ordinator will meet with you to explain their role and answer any questions you may have at this stage. They will then arrange to collect information about your son or daughter's needs by meeting up with them, their teachers and other professionals involved.

The information gathered is then used to plan future services which may be required once they turn 18 years old. If your child has complex needs then a business case will be completed at 14 years old to ensure appropriate services are in place when they transition into Adult Disability Services.

### When your child is 16 years old...

The Transition Co-ordinator will meet with you, your son/ daughter and other professionals again to develop a Transition Plan. This is an assessment of wishes, strengths and support needs and includes a plan for what needs to happen to ensure a smooth transition to adult life. The Transition Co-ordinator will make sure that this is kept up to date and that the plan is progressing by working closely with all involved.

## When your child is 18 years old...

Adult Disability Service will be responsible for your son or daughters the health and social care input from 18, even if they continue to attend school or college.

The transition co-ordinator will continue to ensure regular review meetings take place to ensure the correct support is being offered.