



WEBCAST TAKEAWAYS

NAVIGATING EASY IEP EFFECTIVELY

SUMMARY

STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO NAVIGATE *Easy IEP*

1. DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY

- Determine if any other factors may be contributing to the educational difficulties besides a disability.
- Enter vision and hearing screening results.
- Enter evaluation data and assessments that were used.
- Determine eligibility for Alternative State Assessment.
- Create a “draft” or “final” of the IEP.

2. CLICK “IEP PROCESS” TAB AND SELECT “MEETING PURPOSE”

- Select if the IEP is annual IEP or addendum.
- Fill out demographic information and create your IEP team (parents, guardians, professionals etc.).

3. WRITE YOUR NARRATIVES

- Include strengths, parent concerns, medical information, special factors such as assistive technology, FBAs, and behavior plans.
- Link to the Special Education framework and use *guidance documents* for more information.
- Answer the question: “Does the child demonstrate cognitive processing deficiencies that will affect the IEP development?”

4. WRITE THE PRESENT LEVEL OF PERFORMANCE (PLOP)

- Select the assessment and determine the exceptionality based on data and complete the impact statement.
- Combine all of the results from the assessments to determine if it will affect mastery of grade level standards.

5. WRITE PERSONALIZED GOALS BASED ON PLOP

- Write accommodations for statewide assessments and classrooms.
- Select services (related services, supplemental aid, assistive technology and transportation).
- Look at *guidance documents* for more information and use *Age-Appropriate Transition Assessment*.
- Write triangulate goals to address a skill deficiency and align with postsecondary goals.

6. USE AGE APPROPRIATE TRANSITION ASSESSMENT

- Need to be based on the student’s strengths, interests, needs, and preferences.
- Include student input during the assessments.

7. WRITE POSTSECONDARY GOALS

- Write a goal for *Employment, Education, and Training* (independent living and community involvement when appropriate).
- Goal needs to be measurable and occur after high school and align with assessment data.
- Ask yourself “What is the next immediate step you need to take to help the student reach his or her postsecondary goals?”

8. DETERMINE THE COURSE OF STUDY

- Write a Course of Study for four years of high school.
- Ask yourself “Does the course of study reasonably allow the student to reach his or her postsecondary goals?”

9. SELECT TRANSITION SERVICES

- Can start earlier than the age of 16 when appropriate.
- Ask yourself “What instruction does the student need to reach his or her postsecondary goals?”

Use these options to filter the table below.

Transition Domain: Community Participation Employment/Career Development Financial/Money Management Functional Academics	Assessment Focus: Needs Other Preferences/Interests Strengths	Assessment Approach: <input type="checkbox"/> Curriculum-based assessments <input type="checkbox"/> Ecological inventories <input type="checkbox"/> Task analyses <input type="checkbox"/> Direct observations <input type="checkbox"/> Interest inventories/preference assessments <input type="checkbox"/> Checklist or rating scales <input type="checkbox"/> Surveys or questionnaires <input type="checkbox"/> Interviews <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher-made assessments <input type="checkbox"/> Person-centered planning process
Disabilities: <input type="checkbox"/> Autism <input type="checkbox"/> Deaf/blindness <input type="checkbox"/> Deafness <input type="checkbox"/> Developmental delay	Language: <input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Arabic <input type="checkbox"/> ASL <input type="checkbox"/> French <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish <input type="checkbox"/> Large Print	Who completes it?: <input type="checkbox"/> Family member <input type="checkbox"/> Educator <input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> All
Cost: (\$0 - \$50 US)		

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE ASSESSMENT DATABASE

APPLICATION

- Watch our videos on *postsecondary goals, transition services, course of study, annual goals, and summary of performance*.
- Look at *examples and non-examples of transition plans* to learn how to write high quality transition plans
- Conduct a peer-review with a partner to determine which areas of your plan need improvement.
- Review the *Assessment Database* and select three assessments you could use with your students.

<http://transitiontn.org/assessment-database/>