

Autism Spectrum Disorder Children & Youth Transition Support Program

Program Description

This program provides community based supports for children and youth ages 8-18 (or up to their 18th birthday) who have a diagnosis of High Functioning Autism or Asperger Syndrome for successful community integration and transitions.

Program Goals

- To assist children and youth as they transition through elementary school to high school;
- To develop a partnership with families to help stabilize children and youth both at home and at school;
- To provide case management and support with system navigation;
- To promote/preserve the emotional health of children, youth and their family;
- To support families in enhancing and strengthening existing parenting skills;
- To support and enhance parental advocacy skills to help families develop relationships within their larger community;
- To support children and youth in developing self-advocacy and other skills; and
- To educate the child/youth and their peers and to provide peer mentoring.

Program Requirements (Eligibility)

- A diagnosis of High Functioning Autism or Asperger's Syndrome;
- Ages 8-18 (or up to their 18th birthday); and
- Must be a resident of Oxford or Elgin County.

Referral and Intake Process

- Referrals to the Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Children & Youth Transition Support Program are accepted from client/families, as well as community agencies and services.
- Families who contact Wellkin directly are screened for program eligibility and will be asked to provide medical/psychological assessment reports that confirm the diagnosis. The DSO refers eligible individuals to the local agencies delivering the APS Program, following the prioritization process and within available program resources.

Contact

For more information, please contact Kathy Deadman, ASD Children & Youth Transition Support Worker at 1-877-539-0463 extension 291.

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