

# Service Road Map for Youth with Developmental Disabilities

Service Provided	Description	Payer	How to Access
Community-Based Services			
1. Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Adult Eligibility 2. Northeast Arc/Autism Support Center 3. The Mass Rehabilitation Commission (MRC) 4. Career Centers 5. The Employment Collaboratives 6. Mass Health/Medicaid Home and Community Based Waiver (HCBS) 7. Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)	1. DDS provides services and supports for employment and independent living. Adult applications may be submitted at age 17, even if the individual is still enrolled in school. 2. Information and resources for individuals with autism. 3. Assists individuals with disabilities to live and work independently. 4. Provides assistance with job search, career counseling, and training. 5. Provider and state agency partnerships focused on job development and access to career training. 6. Programs cover home and community based services for eligible individuals who meet the Medicaid and HCBS waiver criteria. 7. From age 14 until they graduate or turn 22, students on IEPs receive transition services from their public school districts.	1. DDS 2. DDS, Private Pay, Other 3. MRC 4. Labor and Workforce Dev. 5. DMH 6. MassHealth 7. DOE	1. DDS Eligibility Application: <a href="http://www.mass.gov/dds">www.mass.gov/dds</a> For Eligibility Intake Questions: (978) 774-5000, ext. 850 2. <a href="http://www.ne-arcautismsupportcenter.org">www.ne-arcautismsupportcenter.org</a> or (978) 777-9135 3. <a href="http://www.mass.gov/mrc">www.mass.gov/mrc</a> or 1-800-245-6543 (Voice/TDD) or (617) 204-3600 4. <a href="http://www.mass.gov/careercenters">www.mass.gov/careercenters</a> 5. <a href="http://www.riversidecc.org/">www.riversidecc.org/</a> search keywords: adult service clubhouses or 781-245-1096 6. <a href="http://www.mass.gov">www.mass.gov</a> search keywords: home and community based waivers or 1-855-300-7058 7. <a href="http://www.doe.mass.edu/sped/secondary-transition/">www.doe.mass.edu/sped/secondary-transition/</a>
Housing Resources and Agencies			
1. Mass Access 2. Autism Housing Pathways (AHP) 3. MassHousing 4. Mass Families Organizing for Change (MFOFC) Housing Connections 5. Independent Living Centers (ILC) 6. DDS Residential Supports	1. A free online program that matches people with disabilities with vacant, accessible housing. 2. Information for families who seek to create secure, supported housing for their adult children with disabilities. 3. Supports the creation, preservation and long-term viability of affordable homeownership and rental housing. 4. Families communicate to find a home for their loved one with a disability. 5. Advocacy, skills training, and referrals for housing. 6. If an individual is prioritized by DDS for residential supports, options are subject to appropriation of funding and availability for age eligible persons.	1. No charge to join 2. Membership Fee 3. MassHousing 4. No charge to join 5. ILC 6. DDS	1. <a href="http://www.massaccesshousingregistry.org">www.massaccesshousingregistry.org</a> 2. <a href="http://www.autismhousingpathways.org/">www.autismhousingpathways.org/</a> 3. <a href="http://www.masshousing.com">www.masshousing.com</a> or 617-854-1000 4. <a href="http://www.mfofc-hc.org/housingconnections/">www.mfofc-hc.org/housingconnections/</a> 5. North Shore and Cape Ann: <a href="http://www.ilcnsca.org">www.ilcnsca.org</a> or 978-741-0077 Northeast: <a href="http://www.nilp.org">www.nilp.org</a> or 978-687-4288 6. <a href="http://www.mass.gov/dds">www.mass.gov/dds</a> Must be DDS eligible and prioritized for such supports.

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<b>Insurances and Benefits</b>			
1. Act Relative to Insurance Coverage for Autism (ARICA)	1. ARICA requires health insurers to provide coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of individuals on the autism spectrum.	1. DPH	1. <a href="http://www.disabilityinfo.org/arica/">www.disabilityinfo.org/arica/</a> or 774-455-4056 or 800-642-0249
2. MassHealth	2. Members may be able to get doctor visits, prescription drugs, hospital stays, and many other services at little or no cost.	2. MassHealth	2. <a href="http://www.mass.gov/masshealth">www.mass.gov/masshealth</a> or 1-800-841-2900
3. MassHealth Connector	3. Statewide resource list for affordable health and dental coverage.	3. MassHealth	3. <a href="http://www.mahealthconnector.org/">www.mahealthconnector.org/</a> or 1-877-MA-ENROLL (1-877-623-6765)
4. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)/ Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)	4. Provides benefits to eligible individuals with disabilities.	4. SSI/SSDI	4. <a href="http://www.mass.gov">www.mass.gov</a> search keywords: SSI and SSDI or 1-800-772-1213
5. Project IMPACT	5. Benefits counseling to individuals receiving SSI/SSDI who are employed or seeking employment.	5. SSI/SSDI	5. <a href="http://www.mass.gov">www.mass.gov</a> search keywords: project impact
6. BenePLAN	6. Helps people who receive SSI/SSDI understand what may happen to their public benefits when they go to work or increase earnings.	6. SSI/SSDI	6. <a href="http://www.beneplan.org/">http://www.beneplan.org/</a> or 1-877-YES-WORK (937-9675)
<b>Transportation</b>			
1. Adaptive Driving Program	1. Evaluation and skills training for obtaining driver's license.	1. MRC, DDS, Private Pay	1. <a href="http://www.adaptivedrivingprogram.com/index.php">www.adaptivedrivingprogram.com/index.php</a>
2. The RIDE	2. Door-to-door transportation to eligible people who cannot use general public transportation because of a physical or mental disability for \$3.15.	2. Private Pay	2. <a href="http://www.mbta.com/riding_the_t/accessible_services">www.mbta.com/riding the t/accessible services</a>
3. The Massachusetts Reduced Fare Program: Transportation Access Pass (TAP)	3. Reduced fares on Regional Transit Authority (RTA) buses, trains, rapid transit, trackless trolleys, commuter rail, and commuter boats.	3. MBTA, Private Pay at Reduced Rate	3. <a href="http://www.mbta.com/fares_and_passes/reduced_fare_programs/">www.mbta.com/fares and passes/reduced fare programs/</a> or 617-222-3200 or 617-222-5854 (TTY)
4. Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) Trainings	4. Public transportation travel training for individuals with disabilities.	4. DESE	4. <a href="http://www.disabilityinfo.org">www.disabilityinfo.org</a> search keywords: travel training
5. MassHealth/CommonHealth	5. Eligible individuals can secure no cost transportation for medical appointments by completion of a PT-1 form by their physician.	5. MassHealth/ CommonHealth	5. <a href="http://www.disabilityinfo.org">www.disabilityinfo.org</a> search keywords: MassHealth transportation programs
<b>Legal and Education Resources</b>			
1. The Disability Law Center (DLC)	1. Information, referral, technical assistance and representation regarding legal rights and services for people with disabilities.	1. Private Pay, State, and Federal	1. <a href="http://dlc-ma.org/">dlc-ma.org/</a>
2. Massachusetts Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment Initiative (MAICEI)	2. Eligible public high school students with intellectual disabilities, ages 18-22, can participate in college or university learning.	2. State	2. <a href="http://www.mass.gov">www.mass.gov</a> search keywords: inclusive concurrent initiative enrollment
3. Think College	3. Information on inclusive higher education options.	3. Federal grants	3. <a href="http://www.thinkcollege.net/">www.thinkcollege.net/</a>
4. Probate and Family Court/Guardianship	4. For individuals under 18, who cannot make informed medical, self-care, or financial decisions, guardianship and other health care proxy planning issues should be explored.	4. Private Pay or no cost options can be explored	4. <a href="http://www.mass.gov/courts/court-info/trial-court/pfc/">www.mass.gov/courts/court-info/trial-court/pfc/</a>