

Activities for Building Local Agency Collaboration

Is your team ready to learn more about the agencies in your local area? Are you ready to help local parents and students find the support they need to live successful lives after highschool? Build an understanding of which agency does what, how to navigate these services, and connects names & faces to the different agency support personnel in your own backyard through the following activities:

- [Resource Mapping](#)
 - Resource mapping is often the first step in defining a flow of services. This approach focuses on what the community (e.g., school, vocational rehabilitation, youth agencies and organization, etc.) has to offer by identifying available services and resources that can be aligned to define a flow of services, and ultimately build a seamless transition system.
- [Community Resource Mapping Essential Tools](#)
 - Community resource mapping is a strategy for promoting interagency collaboration by better aligning programs and services for youth and families. The major goal of community resource mapping is to ensure that all youth have access to a broad, comprehensive, and integrated system of services essential in achieving desired school and postschool outcomes.
- [Community Conversations](#)
 - Community Conversations is one strategy that has been used to discover, support, and disseminate creative and promising approaches for supporting students with disabilities to participate more fully and naturally in school, work, and community activities, including the same relationships, work and community experiences as their peers.
- [Transition Fair Tool Kit](#)
 - Transition fairs connect students and families with information and resources on programs and supports to build successful lives after high school. During a transition fair, families and students have the opportunity to talk to different programs, ask any questions, and network with other families.