

# Transition Expo 2017

## The progression from school to community life

- **free entry**
- **plenty of street parking**
- **fully accessible venue**
- **information pack given to each family**
- **coffee van and bakery stall for purchase of refreshments – bring along plenty of \$1 and \$2 coins to make purchasing easy**

**Hosted by Disability Connect  
& Ministry of Social Development (MSD)**

**When: Tuesday 8 August 2017**  
**Where: Mt. Eden War Memorial Hall, 489  
Dominion Road, Mt. Eden**  
**Time: 9am – 2.00pm**

The Transition Expo features most Auckland Transition and Vocational Programme Providers as well as an array of leisure, recreation, sports and information providers. Transition providers are contracted by the MSD to facilitate a smooth progression from school to community life for a young person with a disability who is ORS (Ongoing Resourcing Scheme) funded. In their final years at school transition coordinators help the student with a disability, their family and education professionals from the school to decide upon an appropriate community placement for post-school life. This is an important decision for any young person and requires planning and knowledge.

This Expo will feature a Transition Seminar in a separate presentation room at 9.30am and midday (1.5hr seminar will run twice) – issues covered will include

- Engaging with Taikura Trust at this important transition phase
- The process for ORS funding and access to vocational programmes upon leaving school
- Post school options including High Needs and Very High Needs Vocational Programmes, employment possibilities, micro-enterprise
- Information about future planning for your loved one with a disability
- Use of supports such as Individualised Funding and Carer Support Subsidy
- Options for living arrangements – Individualised Funding and Flatting, Choice in Community Living, Supported Living, Residential Care, etc
- Work & Income supports you may be eligible for

This Expo is suitable for all students aged between 14-21 years who are ORS funded, parents, family members, caregivers, education experts, careers advisors, school transition coordinators, teachers and all those involved in the care of a young adult with a disability.

Transition Providers, Vocational Service Providers and 'leisure/recreation' providers will each have a stall providing information, pamphlets, booklets, DVD's and promotional material. Representatives from each organisation will be available for advice including also Work and Income, Ministry of Education and Taikura Trust. ***Although this Expo is aimed at ORS funded students, all students with a disability and those involved in the disability sector would benefit from information available on the day.***

Please contact Disability Connect for further information on (09) 636-0351 or [admin@disabilityconnect.org.nz](mailto:admin@disabilityconnect.org.nz)

No need to RSVP – see you on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August!