

Transition Services

Transition services support students in the movement from school to the world of work and adult life. The Choice Group works together with students, their families, schools and the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services to provide services to support a successful and timely transition from school to work. Through partnerships with the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services, The Choice Group offers transition support and services for clients in a variety of ways:

Project SEARCH Transition Program

The Choice Group works collaboratively with DARS, local school districts, and area hospitals to provide students ages 18-22 with a unique post-secondary job-training experience. The end-goal of the program is quite simple... competitive employment in the community. Over the course of a typical school year, each participant is afforded the opportunity to complete three ten-week internships in a variety of settings across the hospital. By gaining these real-world work experiences and transferable skills, the interns are equipped with the tools necessary to be successful and valuable employees in a competitive job market.

Project SEARCH is an international program offered at over 300 sites across North America, Australia, and Great Britain. The Choice Group currently provides employment services for several Project SEARCH sites in Virginia. To learn more about the Project SEARCH Transition Program, visit projectsearch.us. Please visit our web site for location information, and contact Chris Lavach for further information about the Project SEARCH Transition Programs at those locations.

Autism Services

The Choice Groups works closely with DARS to provide services to individuals with autism spectrum disorders. Autism Speaks provides for a grant-funded program in which individualized services are provided to improve a client's ability to perform activities of daily living and function in social, vocational, educational, and other community environments. For more information about the Autism Speaks research and advocacy organization, visit www.autismspeaks.org. Contact Chris Lavach for information about Autism Services available in your area.

The Choice Group serves clients across most of Virginia. Our Specialists live in, and are familiar with, the areas they serve. We partner with referral sources to assist individuals who have the potential to succeed. We welcome the opportunity to help people achieve their goals and live up to their abilities.

Mission Statement

The mission of The Choice Group is a commitment to excellence in meeting our clients' needs, while foremost respecting their individuality and right to make life choices.

Additional Transitional Services

In addition to these programs, we also offer several services to clients including:

- Situational Assessments
- Supported Employment
- Community Support Services

Funding Sources for Transition Services

The Choice Group provides services funded through a variety of ways to include:

- Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services
- Medicaid Waivers
- Insurance Companies
- Private Pay

Visit <http://thechoicegroup.com/programs-services.html> or contact us at 804-278-9151 / 877-374-5312 (toll-free) for more information on these and other services provided by The Choice Group.