

**Contrast Between the *Transition to Independence Process (TIP) System* and *Wraparound Approach***  
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<b>Characteristics</b>	<b>Wraparound Process</b>	<b>Transition to Independence Process (TIP) system</b>
1. With whom is this approach typically being used?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Families and their children with complex, multi-systems needs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth and young adults (14-29 years of age) struggling with mental health conditions as they transition to adulthood.</li> </ul>
2. For what reasons is the process generally initiated?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Imminent risk of removal from home or school setting</li> <li>Family or the target child(ren) require services from two or more public service systems, and these categorical services have not been effective</li> <li>As a process to assist in reunification</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To engage youth and young adults in their own futures planning process.</li> <li>To provide them with developmentally appropriate supports and services.</li> <li>To involve them in a process that prepares and facilitates their movement toward greater self-sufficiency and successful achievement of their transition goals.</li> </ul>
3. What types of information are obtained through assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengths, interests, values, culture, and natural resources of the child and family</li> <li>Needs of family and their children across life domains.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengths, interests, values, goals, culture, family supports and other natural supports.</li> <li>Needs of youth and young adults and those of their family members.</li> <li>Possible future goals related to relevant transition domains for the youth/young adult.</li> </ul>
4. What are the domains explored/ addressed in the plan?	<p>Life Domains</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Family</li> <li>❖ Education</li> <li>❖ Cultural/Spiritual</li> <li>❖ Legal</li> <li>❖ Medical/Self Care</li> <li>❖ Mental Health</li> <li>❖ Residential</li> <li>❖ Safety</li> <li>❖ Social/Recreational</li> <li>❖ Substance Abuse</li> <li>❖ Vocational</li> <li>❖ Financial</li> <li>❖ Traumatic Events</li> </ul>	<p>Transition Domains</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Employment &amp; career</li> <li>❖ Education</li> <li>❖ Living situation</li> <li>❖ Personal effectiveness and well-being <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Interpersonal Relationships</li> <li>❖ Emotional and Behavioral Wellbeing</li> <li>❖ Self-Determination</li> <li>❖ Communications</li> <li>❖ Physical Health &amp; Wellbeing</li> <li>❖ Parenting</li> </ul> </li> <li>❖ Community life functioning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Daily Living Skills</li> <li>❖ Leisure Activities</li> <li>❖ Community Participation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
5. What components are typically included in planning process?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Natural supports, categorical, and creative services that build on identified strengths and are tailored to individualized needs of the family and its child(ren).</li> <li>Flexible fiscal supports for securing necessary resources for the family.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Young person's vision related to relevant transition domains.</li> <li>Short-term and long-term goals to achieve vision.</li> <li>Action steps to reach each goal.</li> <li>Supports and services that build on identified strengths and are tailored to individualized needs, goals, and wishes of the young person and his/her family.</li> <li>Target date for completion.</li> <li>Prevention planning regarding high risk behaviors and situations</li> <li>Nurturing connections with family and other natural supports.</li> </ul>

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<p>6. What are the guidelines that drive the planning, and tailoring of supports and services?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individualized Care</li> <li>• The family is treated as an equal partner in the Family Support Plan (FSP) design and support its implementation</li> <li>• System providers coordinate their services and so movement between components of the system is smooth</li> <li>• Unconditional care</li> <li>• Outcome driven decisions</li> <li>• Supported at the system level and with strong ties to support and advocacy groups</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engage young people through relationship development, person-centered planning, and a focus on their futures</li> <li>• Tailor services and supports to be accessible, coordinated, appealing, non-stigmatizing, and developmentally-appropriate -- building on strengths to enable the young people to pursue their goals across relevant transition domains</li> <li>• Acknowledge and develop personal choice and social responsibility with young people</li> <li>• Ensure a safety-net of support by involving a young person’s parents, family members, and other informal and formal key players</li> <li>• Enhance young persons’ competencies to assist them in achieving greater self-sufficiency and confidence</li> <li>• Maintain an outcome focus in the TIP system at the young person, program, and community levels</li> <li>• Involve young people, parents, and other community partners in the TIP system at the practice, program, and community levels.</li> </ul>
<p>7. What is the role of the Facilitator? In Wraparound typically referred to as a “Resource Coordinator” and in the TIP model typically referred to as a “Transition Facilitator”.</p>	<p>The Resource Coordinator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assesses and prioritizes with the family the strengths and needs of the family and children.</li> <li>• With the family, assists in forming the Child &amp; Family Team</li> <li>• Facilitates and organizes the Child &amp; Family Team Meeting</li> <li>• Assembles and distributes the Child &amp; Family Support Plan</li> <li>• Provides Case Management where appropriate</li> <li>• Monitors the plan and outcome measures</li> <li>• Assist with crisis and safety planning</li> <li>• Documents the wraparound process</li> </ul>	<p>The Transition Facilitator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducts ongoing Strengths Discovery &amp; Needs Assessments. Conducts or requests other assessments as necessary.</li> <li>• Works with young person in identifying family members and other supportive informal and formal key players in the young person’s life.</li> <li>• Facilitates transition planning with the young person.</li> <li>• Provides supports and services relevant to the young person’s short-term or long-term goals.</li> <li>• Coordinates/brokers transition supports and services as necessary.</li> <li>• Assists young people to achieve competency across transition domains through coaching and teaching</li> <li>• Collaborate with key stakeholders, including young people and families</li> <li>• Promote youth and family involvement in transition services (individual, program, and community system levels)</li> <li>• Develop prevention plans as needed</li> <li>• Document planning and provision of supports and services</li> <li>• Monitors and records young people’s progress and outcomes..</li> </ul>

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8. Who is involved in developing and implementing the plan?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Child &amp; Family Team:</b> Individuals, both informal supports and formal supports, that come together to develop and integrate supports and services to help the family.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Informal key players such as relatives, neighbors, family friends.</li> <li>• Formal key players: such as teachers, therapists, case workers, juvenile probation officers, Guardian Ad Litem.</li> <li>•</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Youth or young adult</b></li> <li>• <b>Transition Facilitator</b></li> <li>• <b>Planning partners</b> selected by the young person               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• YP might choose different key players to serve as planning partners for different topics, needs, or goals.</li> <li>• Often a young person may want to only involve him/herself and one or two key players on a given topic (e.g., transition facilitator, parent, friend) to serve as planning partner(s).</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Necessary connection(s)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Young person's topic, need, or goal determines who is a necessary connection (e.g., probation officer, parent, vocational rehabilitation counselor, community college instructor) for him/her to make progress on this topic, need, or goal.</li> <li>• YP and transition facilitator or other <i>planning partner</i> would contact, plan, and/or negotiate with <b>necessary connection(s)</b> regarding a particular topic, need, or goal</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
9. When are meetings occurring?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Periodic meetings with the family (possibly including the "target" child(ren) based on age and maturity) and other informal and formal team members.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Transition Facilitator is consistently available to work with the young person in planning, modifying the plan, and tracking progress on goals.</li> <li>• Meetings occur with the youth/young adult and his/her planning partners as often as necessary (often on a 1 to 1 basis).</li> <li>• The young person, the transition facilitator or other <i>planning partner</i> would contact, plan, and/or negotiate with <b>necessary connection(s)</b> regarding a particular topic, need, or goal as necessary to address the issue.</li> </ul>
10. How is it determined whether or not the plan is working?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tracking progress indicators across goals (e.g., reunification of family; child attending school consistently; child showing reduced office referrals and improved grades; self-reports of improvement).</li> <li>• Tracking and monitoring relevant outcome measures.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tracking progress across goals and the steps to achieve such (e.g., submitted 4 job applications; graduated from HS; paid bills on-line; enrolled in a community college program; found employment in area of interest; completed application to rent a studio apartment).</li> </ul>