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Welcome!

Community Support Network Transition Institute 2021



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Can Self Direction enhance my Kid 's Life?

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- What can I use my money for?
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What can I use my money for?



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CH/ Respite/ Job Coaching Staff

Agency Services: Day Hab, SEMP, Respite

Brokerage

Family Reimbursed Respite (\$3000)



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Camp (\$4000)

Community Classes

Transition Programs

Health Club, Memberships (\$1500)

Service related Transportation



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If living independently :

- Housing subsidy/ rent
- Live -in Caregiver
- Paid Neighbor
- Household supports (\$1500)



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Other than Personal Services \$3000 :

- Staff Activity Fees
- Personal Use Transportation
- Housing Navigator

If over 18

- Phone & Internet
- Utilities
- Clothing (\$250)



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What do I need to do?



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Get OPWDD eligibility

Enroll with CCO / get a CM

CM will submit a request for SD

Select a Broker & FI

Start the planning process ☺



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Benefits



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Create your own schedule

Hire your own staff

Participate in community classes, transition programs

Join a gym, work with a personal trainer

Assistance with expenses



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Challenges



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Securing a Broker/ FI/ CM

Lengthy process... start now...

Reimbursement Program: paperwork

\$\$ Caps and Parameters

Technology access & skill



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Thank you

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