What is the Transition Meeting?

The transition planning meeting provides you an opportunity to meet a school district representative prior to deciding to begin the transition process into a preschool special education program. At the transition planning meeting the following topics will be discussed:

- The similarities and the differences under the IDEA between the PRRS program (Part C) and special education programs (Part B).
- The date PRRS services will end.
- Your priority outcomes for your child.
- The steps and desired outcomes of the transition process.
- Your child's future needs in relation to current services. The steps to prepare your child or a change in service delivery.

At this meeting, you can discuss alternatives to special education if you choose not to refer your child. With your consent, your family support specialist can submit records, (assessments, evaluations, and other information) to the public school district for consideration. Most importantly, you should have the opportunity at this meeting to begin to develop a mutually supportive relationship with those who may serve your child in the future.

WHO COORDINATES THE MEETING:

Your School District representative convenes the transition planning meeting, with your permission, between four to six months prior to your child's third birthday. All participants at this meeting should be consulted in setting the time, date and location of the meeting, in order to find a mutually agreeable time and place, and to ensure the meeting's success. You should receive written prior notification of the meeting.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE TRANSITION PLANNING MEETING:

The conference includes you, a school district representative, and other people, as you decide when planning the meeting with your PRRS Family Support Specialist.

OTHER POINTS ABOUT TRANSITION PLANNING CONFERENCES:

At this meeting you will develop a transition plan with the participants. The transition planning meeting helps you understand IDEA procedures.



