

Developmental Services Lifelong Continuum of Care Diagram

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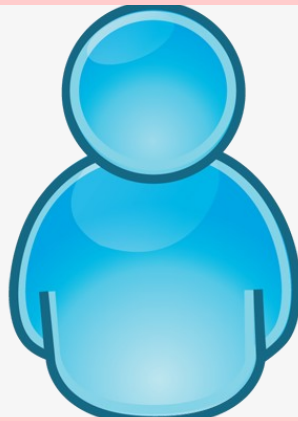
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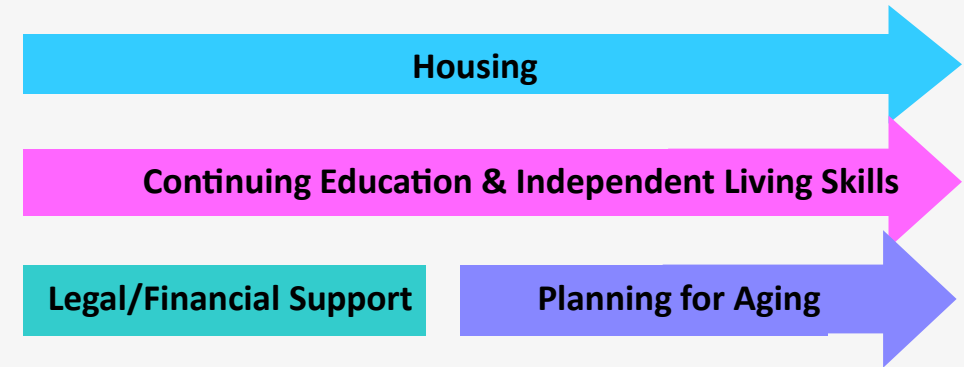
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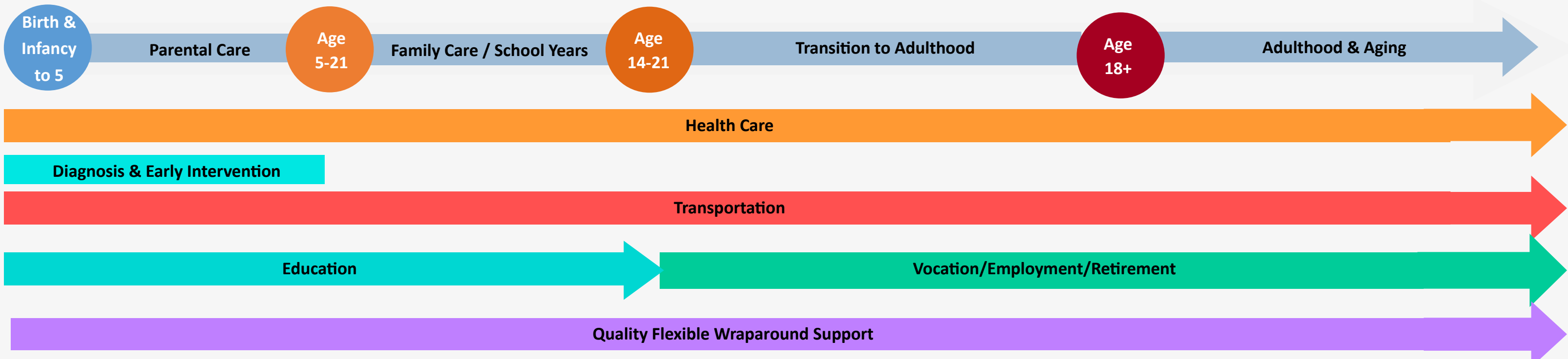
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Principles for Developing A Continuum of Support

The Developmental Services Lifelong Continuum of Care model illustrated in the diagram and explained in this document puts the person at the center. It highlights key principles upon which support within the service system should be based, ensuring that people are supported across the entire lifespan. Each person served within Maine's Continuum of Care will transition effectively through to adulthood and into the community through a series of informal and formal partnerships providing support necessary to achieve community inclusion.

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Support, both natural and formal, is designed to meet all the needs of a person including: healthcare; diagnosis & early intervention; reliable transportation; education; vocation/employment/retirement; quality flexible wraparound support; affordable, stable housing; continuing education & independent living skills; legal/financial support; and planning for aging.

***Coordinated Access:** Planning, coordinating, and monitoring all services necessary to enhance the lives of people with ID/DD, facilitated by case management.

***System Navigation:** People using services are supported by case managers to understand what services and support options are available, and how to access and utilize them when and where they're needed.

***Quality Outcomes:** The services, support, and/or interventions address the needs and achieve the goals included in the Person-Centered Plan (PCP).