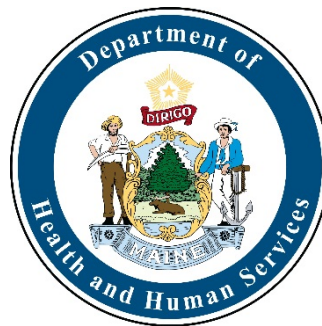


# Maine Transition Age Youth Roadmap Development

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# Background

- In 2018, Public Consulting Group (PCG) in collaboration with Children's Behavioral Health Services conducted a system of care assessment
- Information was gathered through public forums from parents, providers and internal DHHS staff
- The results indicated that the transition between children's behavioral health services and the adult system uncovered several gaps, limitations, that the system needed to be strengthened

# System Gap Identified

During the PCG assessment the following was discovered:

- Families and other Stakeholders noted that the transition between children's behavioral health services and the adult system could be strengthened.
- Families described that when their child was approaching adulthood they didn't know where to turn for information on preparing for transition or how to navigate services in a new delivery system.
- This sometimes results in young adults "falling through the cracks".

# Purpose

To obtain feedback from our Stakeholders as we start the development of the roadmap to Improve Coordination for Youth Transitioning to Adulthood.

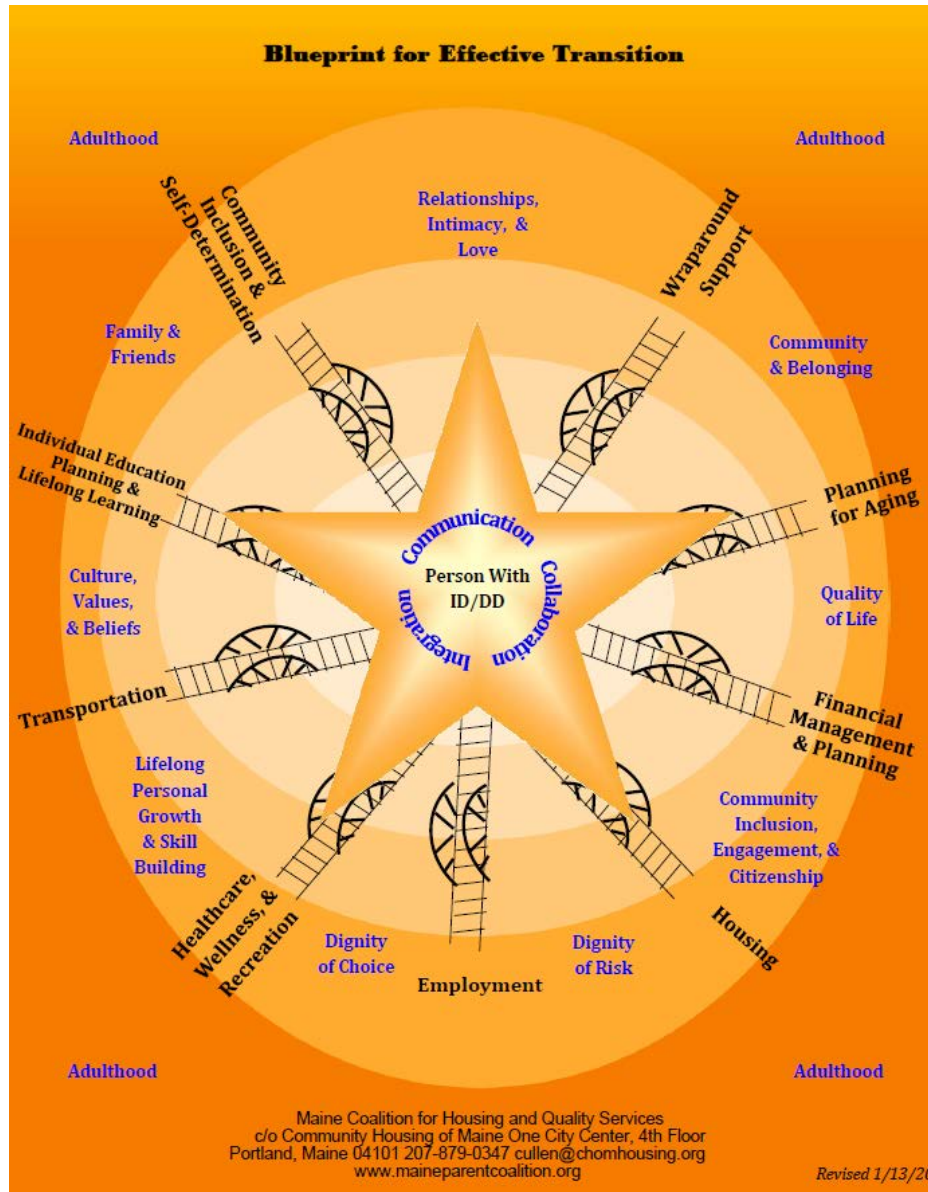
# Who Are We Talking About?

Youth between the ages of 16-21, who might be receiving or in need of behavioral health services or support.

# Roadmap Strategies

- Person Centered Planning will be incorporating Blueprint for Effective Transition
- Facilitate integration of all State departments who serve transition aged youth
- Simplify and streamline transition referral/access process
- Explore the availability of resources for youth who don't qualify for adult services
- Partner with adult serving systems to improve accessibility to adult services
- Create a business process to engage in data driven decision making with transition age youth
- Education
- Employment
- Communication Plan

# Blueprint for Effective Transition



# Will You Partner With Us?

- How can you help us improve the system?
- To partner with us, we have come up with a few guiding questions:
  - What would have been helpful to you and your youth as you were thinking about transition?
  - If you were to change one thing in the system in regards to transition what would it be?
  - Did you children's case manager know what to do to help you transition?
  - Did you have all the information needed?
  - Was your school helpful in the process of transition?

Your Suggestions. Your Ideas. Your Thoughts. Your Questions.



# Brainstorming Session

- Your Suggestions
- Your Ideas
- Your Thoughts
- Your Questions

# Next Steps

- Integrate your feedback into our existing roadmap strategies
- Continue collaboration with other Stakeholders
- Provide updates to this group in six months
- Other suggestions?

# We Appreciate Your Time And Your Input

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