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Empowered VOICES—Transitioning Youth and Families Discovering Authentic Lives: Transitions Discoveries Quality Indicators Survey Package and Infographic Collection

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This infographic collection is available in PDF and text-only versions in both English and Spanish at www.secondarytransition.org



The Pennsylvania Developmental Disabilities Council (PADDC) funded a Participatory Action Research Project to develop a survey package to measure successful secondary transition practices, leading to positive post school outcomes for youth. The survey package allows teams to collect data from youth, families, and transition stakeholders. The research staff works with teams to make data-driven decisions to improve transition practices. The survey reflects nine transition quality indicators, as well as 55 sub-indicators. This Transition Discoveries infographic collection describes the 55 sub-indicators through definitions, characteristics, outcomes, and meaningful stories. While these indicators and sub-indicators are numbered, youth, families, and teams are encouraged to choose the areas that are of most importance to them. This collection is written to engage youth, families, and transition stakeholders to improve transition practices.

Based upon a series of dreams and goals focus groups of youth with disabilities (ages 14-25) and their families, nine quality indicators emerged:

- 1. Transition Planning**
- 2. Youth Development**
- 3. Person and Family-Directed Planning**
- 4. Family Engagement**
- 5. Relationships**
- 6. Independent Living and Community Engagement**
- 7. Cross Agency Collaboration**
- 8. Employment**
- 9. Postsecondary Education and Training**