Potential Consultants to the Transition Team

Potential Consultant	Relationship to Transition Services
Adult Education Representative	provides information about lifelong education options
Advocacy Organization(s) Representative	may offer self-advocacy training or support groups for young adults
Assistive Technology Representative	provides expertise on devices that can open doors to opportunities
At-Risk/Prevention Specialist	offers counseling and support on teen pregnancy, alcohol, and drugs
Business-Education Partnership Rep.	provides links between schools and local businesses and industry
Community Action Agency Representative	may link team to resources for traditionally underrepresented groups
Correctional Education Staff	provides incarcerated youth with continued learning opportunities
Drop-Out Prevention Representative	provides youth with alternatives to dropping out of school
Employer	offers insight into expectations; promotes hiring of people with disabilities
Employment Specialist	provides job development, placement, coaching
Extension Service Agent	offers programs in parenting, homemaking, independent living
Guidance Counselor	provides information on curriculum, assessment, graduation requirements, college
Health Department/School Nurse	provides guidance on community health services and health care advice
Higher Education Representative	provides information on postsecondary services to students with disabilities
Housing Agency Representative	assists in developing housing options
Leisure Program Representative	knows available program options within the community
Literacy Council Representative	coordinates volunteers to teach basic reading and writing skills
Local Government Representative	funds many local services; can provide information on local services
Local Disability Representative (e.g., UCP)	provides information and training (often serves all disabilities, not just one)
Parent Training Information Center Rep.	provides training on transition planning and advocacy services to families
Religious Community Member	can provide social support to young adults and their families
Residential Service Provider	can help access specialized housing
Social Worker	provides guidance and arranges for case management, support, respite care
Special Olympics Representative	provides sports training, competition, and recreational opportunities for youth
Therapists	provide behavioral, physical, occupational, & speech services in the community
Transportation Representative	offers expertise about transportation options and training
United Way Representative	funds many community programs that may offer options for young adults
Very Special Arts Representative	provides information on art programs and opportunities for youth
Vocational Educator	provides job training; teaches work-related skills
YMCA/YWCA	offers recreation and leisure programs

Benefits Plus Program: Benefits Specialists available to assist Social Security recipients to go to work without fear of losing benefits ⌘ Information on medical benefits, Social Security, transitional assistance & public housing ⌘ Ongoing assistance on issues concerning benefits ⌘ www.calky.org

Centers for Independent Living: Information & Referral ⌘ Independent living skills training ⌘ Peer Support ⌘ Advocacy ⌘ Personal Care Attendant Program ⌘ Technical Assistance ⌘ Computer Access Program ⌘ Voter Registration ⌘ www.bestcil.org

Clinical Education Complex: Early Childhood Center ⌘ Kelly Autism Program ⌘ Family Counseling Clinic ⌘ Acquired Brain Injury Resource Program ⌘ Communication Disorders Clinic ⌘ Located at 104 14th Street, Bowling Green, KY ⌘ www.wkucec.com

Commission for Children With Special Health Care Needs: Must be under age 21 ⌘ Diagnosis & Treatment ⌘ Specialized Clinic Services ⌘ Therapy Services ⌘ Lab & Follow-up Services ⌘ Must meet financial guidelines ⌘ www.chfs.ky.gov

Comprehensive Care Centers: Publicly-funded community based services for persons who need mental health services, mental retardation services, or substance abuse services ⌘ Crisis Prevention & Crisis Response Services ⌘ www.chfs.ky.gov

Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services (Office of Vocational Rehabilitation): Counseling & Referral ⌘ Assessment ⌘ Training Programs ⌘ Technology ⌘ Job Placement & Follow-up ⌘ Interpreting Services ⌘ http://ovr.ky.gov/programs_services/deaf_services.htm

Home & Community Based Waiver: Medical services to Medicaid eligible persons who are aged or disabled and would otherwise require nursing facility ⌘ Case Management, Homemaker Services, Personal Care, Respite, Attendant Care, Adult Day Services ⌘ Physician referral required ⌘ www.chfs.ky.gov

The International Center: Resettlement Services ⌘ Immigration Assistance ⌘ Professional Interpreter & Translation Services ⌘ Employment Services ⌘ Educational Services ⌘ Community Enrichment ⌘ Advocacy ⌘ Eligibility requirements vary ⌘ http://internationalcenter.ky.net/services.html

Kentucky AHEAD: Kentucky Association on Higher Education & Disability ⌘ Enhances higher education opportunities for persons with disabilities ⌘ Advocacy ⌘ Information & Referral ⌘ www.louisville.edu/student/dev/drc/about.html

Kentucky Assistive Technology Network: Assessment & Referral ⌘ Assistive Technology Loan Program ⌘ www.katsnet.org

Kentucky Legal Aid: Free legal services for people who cannot afford an attorney ⌘ Priority clients are low income families, children, victims of domestic violence, & elderly ⌘ Priority given to those w/ emergency needs ⌘ No assistance with criminal matters or traffic violations ⌘ www.KLAid.org

Kentucky School for the Blind (Outreach): Assessment ⌘ Counseling ⌘ Resource & Referral ⌘ www.ksb.k12.ky.us

Kentucky School for the Deaf (Outreach): Assessment ⌘ Counseling ⌘ Resource & Referral ⌘ www.ksd.k12.ky.us

Kentucky Supported Living Program: Flexible grant to purchase services managed by applicant ⌘ Must be disabled according to ADA ⌘ No age restrictions ⌘ One-time or on going funding ⌘ Application deadline April 1st ⌘ Service examples: personal care, community resource developer, transportation, leisure support, home management, respite care, home or vehicle modifications, equipment, start-up costs ⌘ www.chfs.ky.gov

Medicaid & K-CHIP Programs: Medicaid provides medical coverage for individuals/families with dependent children based on certain requirements ⌘ K-CHIP offers medical coverage for children under age 19 who do not qualify for Medicaid and whose family meets income guidelines ⌘ www.chfs.ky.gov

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation: Services to help people with disabilities prepare for, secure, retain, or regain appropriate employment ⌘ Must have physical or mental impairment ⌘ Must be of employable age by completion of the rehabilitation period ⌘ http://ovr.ky.gov

Office for the Blind: Rehabilitative services to become more independent & productive in the workplace ⌘ Medical Evaluations ⌘ Vocational Evaluation, Training, & Job Placement ⌘ Personal Counseling & Independent Living Skills Training ⌘ Technical Equipment and Visual Devices ⌘ http://blind.ky.gov

Social Security Disability (SSDI): Federal cash benefit ⌘ Eligibility determined on having a disability ⌘ Payments based on prior work history ⌘ Spouse & other dependents may be eligible for SSDI payments ⌘Unmarried disabled child over age 18 may qualify for benefits ⌘ www.socialsecurity.gov

Supplemental Security Insurance (SSI): Need-based program ⌘ provides minimum income to people unable to work due to disability or retirement.

Supported Employment: Job Development ⌘ Job Placement ⌘ Job Coaching ⌘ Ongoing monitoring & support ⌘ Employability skills training. http://ovr.ky.gov/programs_services/supported_employment_program.htm

Supports for Community Living (SCL): Medicaid waiver for adults with MR/DD ⌘ Case management, Residential Supports, Day Programs, Supported Employment, Behavior Supports, Respite Care, Therapy Services ⌘ Extended waiting list for SCL program – APPLY NOW! ⌘ www.chfs.ky.gov

Traumatic Brain Injury Program: Provides flexible temporary benefits ⌘ Must have partial or total disability caused by injury to central nervous s ı. http://www.mchb.hrsa.gov/programs/tbi.htm

Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Youth Services: Occupational skills training ⌘ On-the-job training ⌘ Case management ⌘ Employability skills and supportive services ⌘ http://www.bradd.org