

MSU CHM Pediatric Transition Policy²⁰¹³

(moving from the Pediatric Primary Care to the Adult Primary Care)

1. The expected age of transfer from our pediatric practice to an adult medical provider is between the ages of 18 years of age and 22 years of age. This will be determined by the readiness of the youth and parent.
2. The physician and medical staff will discuss the patient and parent's responsibilities regarding transition at Well Child visits beginning at the age of 14 years including but not limited to; education, employment, and independence.
3. The physician and the medical staff will discuss the medical team's responsibility regarding transition at Well Child visits beginning at the age of 14 years including but not limited to; knowledge of medical condition when applicable, knowledge of medication administration, and identification of adult medical providers.
4. Written information will be provided to parents and youth regarding community resources that may help the transition process by nursing staff or the social worker as necessary or upon request
5. All youth with **complex medical needs** will be given a plan of care during the final stages of transition. Identification of the adult provider will be made and the plan of care will be sent to that office (a release of information must be obtained from the youth or guardian prior to this process). Phone contact either between physicians or nursing staff will occur between practices to help coordinate the transition process.
6. All families are to be given a copy of the transition policy at Well Child visits beginning the age of 14 years.