*Preparing for Transition: Employment* Checklist

* Gather copies of work-related documents, such as birth certificate, social security card, and working papers
* Register for and attend an OPWDD Front Door information session (For session times and locations, go to <https://opwdd.ny.gov/welcome-front-door/information_sessions>
* Register for and attend an ACCES-VR information session (For session times and locations, go to <http://www.acces.nysed.gov/vr/orientation-sessions>)
* Contact SSA (1-800-772-1213) to determine eligibility for PASS
* Contact SSA (1-866-968-7842) to determine eligibility for Ticket to Work
* Research local opportunities
	+ Use online directories
		- OPWDD at <http://providerdirectory.opwdd.ny.gov>
		- CP of NYS at <http://www.cpofnys.org/Affiliates>
	+ Visit websites and call service providers
	+ Be alert to job and volunteer opportunities related to the individual’s interests
	+ Point out possible jobs in the community
	+ Arrange job shadowing
	+ Talk with other families about their experiences
	+ Consider volunteer opportunities