*Preparing for Transition: Housing* Checklist

* Register for and attend an OPWDD information session (For session times and locations, go to [https://opwdd.ny.gov/welcome-front-door/information\_session](https://opwdd.ny.gov/welcome-front-door/information_sessions)s
* Create a housing “wish list”
  + Engage in person-centered planning to determine what the individual wants and needs in housing
  + Determine what services and funding are available to focus the housing search
* Explore local options
  + Use online directories
    - OPWDD at <http://providerdirectory.opwdd.ny.gov>
    - CP of NYS at <http://www.cpofnys.org/affiliates/>
  + Compile a list of housing providers
  + Visit residences or take virtual tours
  + Map distances to important places
  + Talk with other families about their experiences