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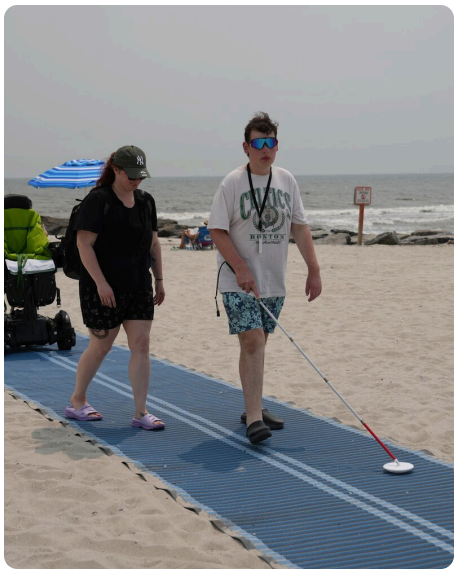
SYVP Parent/Support Person Programming

Supporting Your Young Adult's Journey

Dates: July 28 to July 30, 2027 **Location:** Helen Keller National Center, New York

Application Deadline for SYVP Participants: May 21, 2027

Your support plays an important role in your young adult's success. Whether you are a parent, family member, guardian, mentor, teacher, friend, or another important person in their support network, we invite you to join us for this special 3-day workshop designed to help you better support their transition to adulthood.



Through interactive sessions, shared experiences, and practical resources, you'll learn strategies to support your young adult as they explore education, employment, self-advocacy, and independent living goals.

This program is available only to individuals supporting a participant currently enrolled in the Summer Youth Vocational Program (SYVP).

Can't attend in person? A virtual participation option will be available for support persons who are unable to travel to HKNC, allowing you to access key presentations and discussions remotely.

Program Highlights

- Learn strategies to support your young adult's self-advocacy, independence, and future goals.
- Share a memorable experience by participating in adaptive surfing alongside your young adult (for in-person attendees).
- Gain a better understanding of vocational and transition services, including how to effectively advocate during IEP and transition planning meetings.
- Learn about accommodations, assistive technology, and accessibility resources that can support success at school, work, and in the community.
- Discover strategies for building confidence, promoting self-determination, and encouraging decision-making skills.
- Connect with other parents, family members, caregivers, and support persons who share similar experiences and goals.
- Receive information, resources, and guidance to help support your young adult's transition to adulthood.

Contact your Regional Representative to find out how to attend:
www.helenkeller.org/hknc/nationwide-services

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