

Dear sirs,

I am a parent of two severely disabled boys, one through transition and the other is still in transition. For the last 2 years we have been planning for our youngest son to leave school with PCP meetings and numerous transition meetings yet here we are 4 weeks before his birthday and we still have nowhere for him to go to.

Each time the trust set up a meeting to decide who gets daycare it keeps getting postponed, now we are told the next date is 4th February. We live in the Southern board trust area the trust is very aware of our situation that we have two boys and that although the oldest boy got into daycare there has been nothing decided for his brother. Both boys are totally dependant on my husband and myself, one doesn't talk, both can hardly walk, they have to be dressed, washed and toileted yet here we are two years later still fighting for a daycare placement.

Transition has been the most hardest time of our lives and with the added worry of this on top has made it extremely stressful. Situations like ours need to be highlighted, life is hard enough without the added worry of where our young people are going to go to and the constant fight for a daycare placement is the hardest and most worrying time in a parent's life.

So why does Transition start at 14, and why do we say where is best for our children, yet no one in the trust has listened for the last 4/5 years and nothing has been done to prepare for our children's future, the whole exercise of Transition has been an exhausting waste of time.

Yours faithfully