

Frequently Asked Questions for Providers and Support Coordinators: Employment Preparation Services (EPR)

Section 8: Transition Period

Question: *When is the deadline to start EPR for people who are working for pay at a day program?*

Answer: The deadline to start EPR is March 17th 2022. Timing of transitioning people served by your organization from day service to EPR is up to the team within the transition period. It is not recommended to transition everyone from one setting all at once, but to make the change person by person as their teams are able to make informed decisions. Please be aware that the more RFS requests our committee receives all at once, the less timely we are able to be in responding to them. Requesting an extension to EPR should also be done on an individual basis with the timing that meets their individual needs.

Question: *If there is a large caseload move to EPR now, will their renewals be staggered so they are not all at once?*

Answer: Some of the adjustments providers and support coordinators are making related to EPR will take time. For that reason we gave providers and support coordinators a 6-month timeframe to allow for a gradual transition to EPR. Moving from another service to EPR should always occur on a person-centered basis, and we hope the 6-month period allows the person and their support team to choose the best time to start in EPR. It is not recommended to transition everyone from one setting all at once, but to make the change person by person as their teams are able to make informed decisions. Please be aware that the more RFS requests our committee receives all at once, the less timely we are able to be in responding to them.

Question: What if I have more questions?

More information can be found on the [DSPD website](#) under the 'Providers, SCs, & Staff' tab, then under 'Providers' click on 'Employment Preparation Service (EPR)'. If you have further questions feel free to email dspdinfo@utah.gov, or ask your question directly to Bryn Peterson at brynpeterson@utah.gov or (385) 228-3122.