

Supporting students as they transition from school to future pathways and adulthood



At Barkuma, we understand the transition to life after school can be challenging, and we're here to help students prepare for this important step. For over 50 years Barkuma has specialised in working with young people with developmental disability, including people with Intellectual Disability, Learning Disability and Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Barkuma's Transition Program is a 12-month program designed to assist final year students with developmental disabilities as they transition from school to their future pathways and adulthood. Through structured learning, skill development, career guidance and work placement opportunities, students build the confidence and skills for life after school and make new social connections along the way.

Expressions of Interest for 2027 open NOW **Interviews held in Term 4**

Participants are supported to

- Develop confidence and social skills
- Explore their interests and strengths
- Build independence
- Understand employment options
- Work towards VET qualifications that can be used in employment
- Complete a work experience placement
- Begin planning for life after school and adulthood
- Connect with a suitable support program to continue their employment journey after school

The Transition Program



What the year looks like

Term 1 and 2

- Attending Barkuma 1 day a week
- Career development activities and practical employment skills
- Units from Certificate II in Workplace Skills
- Mock interviews, resume writing and career counselling
- Work site visits
- Hear from a range of guest speakers

Term 3 and 4

- Optional accredited Vocational Education Training (VET) – through TAFE SA or private registered training providers. Options include Retail, Construction, Hospitality, and Hair and Beauty (course fees apply)

Term 4

- 1 week of work experience, supported by a Barkuma service
- Graduation and celebration ceremony

Key details

- You do not need an NDIS Plan to access this Program.
- The Transition Program is funded by Barkuma.
- VET course fees apply.

To be eligible, students need to

- Have a developmental disability
- Be a final year school student (16 years or older)
- Have the capacity and desire to work in open employment in the future

To find out more

- Scan the QR code
- Go to www.barkuma.com.au/the-transition-program/
- Call us on 8414 7100
- Email Transition@barkuma.com.au

