What kinds of questions will I be asked?

This 10-15 minute survey will focus on:

- Your education
- Where you live
- Your jobs and career
- Your access to health care and services

If you turned 17 in the last 45 days and haven't heard from us, please call **1-800-974-5456** or visit **www.independence.wa.gov** and sign up to complete the NYTD survey.

Your voice counts!

Data collected for NYTD will provide feedback from youth who are in and have transitioned from foster care. Your answers can help:

- Improve services for youth
- Reduce homelessness for youth
- Enhance educational and career success for youth

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NYTD

National Youth in Transition Database

What is NYTD?

NYTD is the National Youth in Transition Database which requires each state to track all foster youth as well as the independent living services provided to them. Your feedback will help Washington state learn how to make life better for youth in care as you move into adulthood.

Your participation is very important. In Washington state you will be contacted when you turn 17 and asked to answer some questions about how you are doing and any services you have received.

You may be contacted again at age 19 and 21 for a follow-up survey.

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Why should i be involved?

- YOUR OPINION IS WANTED! Make sure your time in foster care is counted. Share your feedback about the Independent Living (IL) services Children's Administration (CA) has provided to you.
- REPRESENT YOUR PEERS! This is your chance to help improve IL services and outcomes for all youth in foster care in your state.
- GET READY! Use the survey to help guide your next steps and make decisions about your journey to adulthood.
- GET CONNECTED! Go to www.independence.wa.gov to get information on helpful services. Contact us anytime at ilskids@dshs.wa.gov if you have questions or comments.

- RECEIVE A GIFT CARD! Complete a survey at age 17, again at 19, and 21, and receive a gift card for each survey completed.

What is my role?

- WE NEED YOUR HELP! Complete the survey when you turn 17 and encourage your peers in foster care who are 17 to do the same.
- REMEMBER, we may contact you again at age 19 and 21 to complete another survey.

SPEAK UP!

SPEAK OUT!

LEAVE A LEGACY!

BE INVOLVED!

DID YOU KNOW

The National Youth in Transition Database is a Federal requirement in all states.