

# NYTD CHEAT SHEET

## What is NYTD?

- NYTD, the National Youth in Transition Database, is a federally mandated project meant to ensure transition age youth in the foster care system are getting the services they need
- There are two parts to this project. The first is a survey that the youth takes directly. The second is data that must be entered into Connections for every youth (including things like tribal affiliation, race, educational level)

## Who should take the survey?

- Youths who took the survey when they turned 17 between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2020.
- These youths are turning 19 between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022.
- These youths may still be in care or may have been discharged. Even if a youth has been discharged for years, the state is still held responsible for surveying him/her.

## How can the survey be taken?

- By phone with an interviewer at our toll free number (518) 369-0008
- Online at <http://NYTD.org>
- On paper, copies available online at <http://NYTD.org> or by contacting Mandi Breen (contact info below)

## Why should a youth participate?

- It's a chance to improve services for transition age youth
- Every youth gets a \$30 gift card for completing the survey

Age group	When do the surveys run?	Who is eligible?	When can they take the survey?
17 year old	Oct 2022—Sep 2023 (Cohort 5)	Every youth who turns 17 while in foster care during a baseline year.	Starting on the 17 <sup>th</sup> birthday, the youth has 45 days to take the survey.
19 year old	Oct 2021—Sep 2022 (Cohort 4)	Youth who took the survey when they were 17. The youth may be 18 or 19 when surveyed for this wave. The youth is eligible whether in care or discharged.	This wave is separated into two participation periods, each six months long. Period A is from October 1 to March 31, and Period B is from April 1 to September 31. The youth may participate at any time during the six month period his/her birthday falls into.
21 year old	Oct 2023—Sep 2024 (Cohort 4)	Youth who took the survey when they were 17. The youth may be 20 or 21 when surveyed for this wave. The youth is eligible whether in care or discharged.	This wave is separated into two participation periods, each six months long. Period A is from October 1 to March 31, and Period B is from April 1 to September 31. The youth may participate at any time during the six month period his/her birthday falls into.

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