



BENEFITS OF ASPIRE

- Improve your education
- Explore work options, even find a job
- Explore ways to pay for college
- Learn about resources in your community
- Make decisions about your future
- An ASPIRE team member to work with you and your family

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ASPIRE will develop a set of coordinated interventions, services and supports to empower youth and families to dream, to imagine and to strive for a better life.



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WHAT IS ASPIRE?

ASPIRE is a study for youth ages 14 – 16 who receive SSI (Supplemental Security Income). When you enroll, you and your family will get information to further education and employment. Half of the youth and families who enroll will be given added services and supports. The ASPIRE team will assist youth and families to find and use services in their communities.

The purpose of the ASPIRE study is to compare the services and supports to find what works best for youth and families.



HOW DO I GET STARTED?

1. Call an ASPIRE team member
2. If you choose to join ASPIRE, you will be placed in one of two groups: ASPIRE Services or Usual Services
3. Each youth will have a 50-50 chance to be assigned to the ASPIRE Services group

WHAT WILL I DO?

- Enroll today
- Keep in touch with your ASPIRE team
- Answer questions about your ASPIRE experience

WHAT ARE ASPIRE SERVICES?

- Help to navigate school options
- Information to improve education and career choices
- Paid work experience
- Understanding Social Security, Medicaid and more
- Money management coaching with the family
- Parent support and training

WHAT ARE USUAL SERVICES?

- Learn about supports in your community
- Explore resources to reach your goals
- Find out more about college and adult life
- Access services to find a job and more