

# SWAP\* Parent Symposium

\*Sharing Wisdom Achievements and Possibilities

**Transition: From diapers to diplomas and beyond**

**8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sept. 7 at Cook Children's Medical Center**  
**A free lunch is provided**

**To register:** [2019swapconference.eventbrite.com](http://2019swapconference.eventbrite.com)

## Questions?

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## Opening speakers:

**W. Paul Bowman, M.D.,**  
**and Shane Fernando, Ph.D.**

**"Importance of transition in  
all facets of your child's life"**

We are excited to begin our day with words of wisdom and guidance from Dr. Bowman, Cook Children's oncologist, and Shane Fernando, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at UNTHSC. Their dedication to pediatric health spans decades. They are committed to helping families manage the challenges of pediatric to adult transitions.

**Steven Aleman:** Alternatives to guardianship

Update on the 86th legislative session: Laws that affect families

**Linda Baker:** Promoting employment and financial stability of Social Security benefits

**Wes Dotson:** Teaching puberty and hygiene skills to adolescents and young adults

Behavior contracts: Building better relationships through structure

**Erin Fogerty, Kathy Houston and Mallely Cantu:** "Diaper bags to backpacks"

**Lorie Gassert:** Navigating the ARD process

**Kim Muench:** Finding joy in the journey – Parent self-care: the cornerstone of managing your unique family

**Sean Roy:** It's never too early to plan for transition

The role of families working toward the future and preparing for meaningful employment

**Carrie Stradley:** Transition to adult care: It's never too early to start.

**Youth sessions:** Self-advocacy, independence, employment