

Aims of transition [cont]

- Enhance the young person's sense of control and independence
- Provide support and guidance for the parent/carer of the young person
- To maximise life long functioning and potential

[McDonagh, 2003, 2005]



Victorian Health System

- Size & population
- Three levels of government
- Public health services
 - Policy direction
 - Funding [ambulatory \$300m]



Review – findings & achievements

- Clearer pathways
- Consolidation & further development
- Holistic model of care & increased awareness
- Stronger relationships
- Better care and positive outcomes



Review: gaps & opportunities

- Preparation
- Expertise & service shortage
- Recruitment & retention
- Emotional support
- Professional development



Summary & next steps

- New model for complex disabilities in Victoria
- Partnerships – health services & government
- Regular meetings established
- Ongoing review & service improvement/refinement

