

Understanding NYTD or National Youth in Transition Database

What is NYTD?	NYTD stands for the National Youth in Transition Database. Young adults, in foster care and who have aged out, complete surveys at 17, 19, and 21. When a young adult completes a NYTD survey, the information is sent to the National Youth in Transition Database.
Why do we have NYTD?	The information that is in the database helps both the federal government and each state government figure out where youth are struggling the most. The state and federal governments can then put more focus on those needs and provide more services for youth in those areas.
What kind of questions are on the NYTD survey?	The survey contains questions about employment, education, housing and other life circumstances.
Are the survey responses confidential?	The young adult's answers are stored in a secure database and remain confidential.
Is it mandatory for the young adult to complete the NYTD survey?	Participation in the NYTD survey is voluntary but highly encouraged. The young adult may also choose to answer some questions but not all. For example, if a young adult sees a question on the survey that he/she is not comfortable answering, the young adult can decline to answer that question.

Completing the NYTD Survey

Young Adults in Bridges	All young adults in Bridges will complete the NYTD survey each year while in the program.
Instructions to complete the NYTD survey	Follow this link: https://youtu.be/n1tjgZIDwTY
When do I assist my young adult in completing the NYTD survey?	The NYTD survey is to be completed within 60 days of this action item appearing on the young adult's SACWIS case: NYTD survey must be completed. If the young adult is turning 21, the NYTD survey must be completed before closing the case.
Should Bridges help young adults complete the survey, if they're in the NYTD 19 and 21 cohort sample?	Yes. The PCSA that the young adult aged out from remains responsible to ensure that the young adult who is part of the NYTD cohort sample at 19 and 21 completes the survey. However, if the young adult is enrolled in Bridges, Bridges is to assist the PCSA by helping the young adult complete the survey. If young adults who are part of the NYTD cohort sample <u>do not</u> complete the survey, this could result in a financial penalty for the State of Ohio.
How do I determine which young adults are in the 19 and 21 cohort sample?	A Bridges NYTD report can be generated from SACWIS which will show those young adults that are part of the NYTD cohort sample. This can be found under SACWIS reports entitled "Bridges NYTD Statistical Report".
I heard PCSAs are offering incentives to young adults completing the NYTD survey.	PCSAs may opt to provide incentives to young adults to complete the NYTD survey. However, young adults receiving Bridges services will not be provided incentives.

NYTD Cohort Schedule for 17, 19, 21 year olds

