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Abstract

Aim: To explore the lived experience of transition from adolescence to adulthood for young people with cerebral palsy and in so doing inform occupational therapists as to what might promote positive life opportunities.

Methodology: The study will be based on hermeneutic phenomenological inquiry. Data will be collected via a participant written account followed up with an interview with each participant.

Participant recruitment: Purposive sampling will be used to recruit between six to eight participants. Recruitment will be via the voluntary sector and media adverts.

Outcomes: The outcome will be an in-depth understanding of the phenomenon of transitioning from adolescence to adulthood for young people with cerebral palsy. Research findings will be disseminated via journal articles and conference presentations which will inform practitioners and policy-makers regarding the support systems that may be necessary to meet the aspirations of this client group.