



## Sickle Cell Disease

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How Developed: Certain hematologic conditions can be complex and challenging for patients to successfully manage, especially when transitioning to a new health care team. Recognizing the need to improve this transition process and to enhance care coordination between practices, the American Society of Hematology (ASH) spearheaded an initiative to develop pediatric-to-adult transition of care tools for a variety of hematologic conditions. ASH assembled a working group that included pediatric and adult hematologists who treat the spectrum of benign and malignant hematologic conditions to evaluate gaps in care coordination and to begin addressing needs in these areas. The group also included a psychologist who has expertise in hematology and transition programs. The ASH products were reviewed by ASH's Committees on Quality and Practice, as well as the Society's Officers. The resulting toolkit provides a comprehensive approach to successfully managing transitions for patients with various hematologic conditions, the toolkit includes generic templates for all hematologic conditions, with an addendum that includes links to additional condition-specific guidelines and resources; (2) specific templates for sickle cell disease (SCD);



[Sickle Cell Disease Transition  
Readiness Assessment](#)

This assessment tool is intended for use by both adolescents and adults for the following purposes:

This [form](#) should be completed by the patient. It is suggested to help assess the teen/emerging

This tool should be utilized by the adult care team to assess any remaining gaps in self-care knowledge and skills or additional issues that need to be addressed to ensure optimal management of the medical condition(s).