# 1 - Master The Issues
Learn about the systems, processes, and people you are going to interact with and explore any controversies surrounding them.

# 2 - Own Your Values, Needs and Desires
Do a self-assessment of what you value, need, and want then develop a plan for how you can best get those needs met.

# 3 - Maximize Research
Search journals, books, and the internet for scientific research to support the evidence basis for your decision-making.

# 4 - Meet Your Community
Find others who are like-minded and are having similar experiences to learn from each other and get support.

# 5 - Assemble Your Team
Hire professionals to assist you on your journey so that you are well-educated, well-supported, and well-cared for in accordance with your needs.

# 6 - Survey Your Options
Learn about all the options available to you at each step of your journey, and the benefits and risks associated with those choices.

# 7 - Tell Them What You Need and Want!
Be an active partner by voicing your values, needs, wants, concerns, thoughts and opinions.

# 8 - Anticipate Change
Recognize the opportunities for personal growth in your experiences.

# 9 - Give Feedback and Share Your Story
Your thoughts and opinions about your experiences can influence change and impart wisdom to others.

# 10 - You Are the Changemaker
Take action to make positive changes in the larger system where they are necessary.

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