The Getting There Scheme was set up to provide training in independent travel to college students with learning disabilities and difficulties. Encouraged to learn at their own pace, students learn everything they need to know about staying staff whilst travelling. Hertfordshire County Council and local colleges work together to deliver the service.

Training usually starts with the student’s journey to and from college but can also include work experience placements and retraining where necessary. In each college, approximately 20 students gain their independence for the first time each year.

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Thomas is a student at the North East Transition in Stevenage. He completed travel training in September 2016 after practicing his journey over the summer holiday. Here he tells us more about his experience.

"I wanted to do travel training to become more independent. I heard about travel training because the travel trainer came to the N.E.T and told us about it.

I was able to access travel training by discussing it with my parents and course tutor. As a result it was included in my educational health and care plan (E.H.C.P).

The travel trainer came on the bus with me and told me when to press the button. He told me what to do when I get on the bus and made me feel safe and confident that I could do it on my own.

Now that I can travel independently, I feel happy, confident and grown up. My parents trust me to do more things now."