### medina county board of developmental disabilities

## - Positive Behavior Support Specialist -



### **QUESTIONS ABOUT BEHAVIOR?**

# A Positive Behavior Support Specialist may be able to help!

A Positive Behavior Support Specialist is person trained to assess, develop, and put in place positive behavioral supports so an individual's needs are met. These supports focus on helping a person learn more positive and useful skills which allow them to become more successful in their communities, goals, and lives.

#### A Positive Behavior Support Specialist may:

- Work directly with staff, family members/guardians, and other professionals to put in place positive behavioral supports for individuals showing challenging behaviors.
- Provide information about general learning supports, behavioral support interventions, and trainings to all individuals involved with the individual's support.
- Determine if a Functional Behavioral Assessment is needed, which includes assessments of school, home, day program, job, and community environments to identify what may contribute to an individual's learning or behavioral problems.
- Consult with Service and Support Administrators (SSA) to design strategies and supports to be included in an Individual Service Plan (ISP).

## A Positive Behavior Support Specialist will NOT provide:

- Clinic based therapy/interventions
- Direct discrete trial interventions
- Duplicate behavioral services already in place for an individual
- Specific placements, staffing, or services endorsements
- Service in a setting without the request/permission of that setting
- Mental health or counseling services to an individual or family

Positive Behavior Support services are available to all individuals who are eligible for MCBDD services through a referral from a Service and Support Administrator (SSA).

Do you want to learn more about Positive Behavior Support Specialists?

Contact your SSA at 330-725-7751; option 2 OR Children's Services at 330-725-7751; option 1



