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- DSP Spotlight -February 2024

Carrie Earnhart



What do you like to do in your free time? In my free time I enjoy spending time with my family and friends.

How long have you worked as a Direct Support Professional? I have been a DSP for 14 years this coming March.

How did you start in the field? My mom and my sister both worked for TLC and told me how great it was.

Has there ever been anyone that has stood out to you as a mentor in this field? Two people have really stood out to me as mentors: Leslie Caldwell and Lauren Sexton.

What is your favorite thing to do with the people you serve? I enjoy spending time with them, getting to know what they like to do, and doing their preferred activities.

What is your favorite part of being a Direct Support Professional? My favorite part of being a DSP is being able to make a difference in others' lives, and watch them grow and accomplish new skills that we have been working on. Working in this field is so rewarding.

What makes Carrie a great DSP?: Carrie has worked at Transitional Living Centers for many years. She was TLC's very first medication administration DSP! She is always willing to work any shift to help out any group home. Recently, her house/nurse manager was on LOA, and Carrie stepped up to help out in her absence. She gave new staff help, and made sure the client's medical appointments were followed up on. Carrie communicated well with supervisors, Administration, and other ancillary services. Carrie continued to do this in addition to providing everyone with care and compassion every day. Transitional Living Centers is fortunate to have her as part of their team.

Thank you for your outstanding contributions to helping people with developmental disabilities and their families in Medina County. Thank you for sharing your dedication and commitment to making a difference in the lives of others every single day.





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