

DSP OF THE MONTH

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GETTING TO KNOW **DSP OF THE MONTH**

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What do you like to do in your free time?

Spend time with my family and friends, walk in parks, ride my bicycle, read, and work on jigsaw puzzles.

How long have you worked as a Direct Support Professional?

I have worked as a DSP for Renaissance House, Inc. in Norwalk for 16 years.

What got you started in the field?

I always liked working with people and taking care of them. After seeing a job posting for Renaissance in the local paper, I inquired about the position and realized this would be my kind of job.

Was there a mentor in this field that has stood out for you?

I would have to say Georgiann Blair, a retired DSP from whom I really learned a lot when I first started this job. I would also like to mention the ladies who work at the Norwalk Renaissance House office; Joni, Robin, Toni, and Emily are so helpful with everything.

What is your favorite thing to do with the people you serve?

I enjoy getting our individuals out and involved in our community, and helping them have a safe and happy place to live.

What is your favorite part of being a Direct Support Professional?

Seeing the look of happiness on their faces when they accomplish things, as well as the appreciation, kind words, smiles, and hugs that I receive from the people we help.

CONGRATULATIONS, YVONNE!