

Nominee: Neema Moyo

Organization: ResCare Community Living

Nomination Narrative: Neema Moyo is a Direct Support Professional with ResCare Community Living in Wichita, Kansas. She is a high school graduate with a combined total of thirteen years of experience as a caregiver. She has worked as a Direct Support Professional with ResCare for ten years. She is CPR and first aid certified and is a guardian over a special needs adult.

Neema works directly with her individuals to help them achieve their goals. She is always patient and encouraging. If she believes that a goal is not suited for an individual, she will contact that person's team to suggest a more suitable goal. Neema has worked with high behavior clients and forms strong relationships with them so that they trust her and value her opinion. She will purchase items for clients who lack the available funds. Neema takes the time to make sure each of her clients always feels safe and comfortable.

Neema is a fantastic leader. She takes it upon herself to ensure her area is run efficiently. She is the go-to person when other staff need support, and Neema is always willing to provide that. She notices what her clients' needs are, and will contact her supervisors, the health care team, and guardians with any concerns as well as accomplishments. Guardians often call Neema to ask for direction on how to assist their individuals living their best lives.

Neema works with many clients who experience sensory overload. She has helped them decorate a dark room to help these clients feel more at ease. They painted the walls black and added sensory dim lighting, which has helped these clients to feel more relaxed. She genuinely knows each of her clients inside and out. She is honest, a hard worker, and loves the people she cares for.

Nominator: Cat Hamm

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I have reviewed and agreed to the criteria for filming the awards video.

I have obtained approval for this nomination from the submitting agency's Executive Director.