

Nominee: Sylvia Villa

Organization: ResCare Community Living

Nomination Narrative: Direct Support Professional Lead Sylvia Villa works with ResCare Community Living in Liberal, Kansas. She is a high school graduate and has worked with ResCare Community Living for the past eight years.

Sylvia focuses on the individuals she supports and does what she can to make their lives easier and their goals successful. She often color coordinates items to help her individuals meet their goals with visual aids. She is often a strategic part of her clients lives from problem solving any behavioral challenges they face to working with health services on their medical issues.

Sylvia has developed community relationships to further support the individuals. She assists with bowling, Special Olympics, and community dances to help enhance her clients' relationships with their community so they can have a better quality of life.

Assisting her fellow staff is also important to Sylvia. She demonstrates her commitment to teamwork by maintaining open availability to travel with western Kansas to assist operations with staffing needs. She also helps with training and is very detail oriented with her plans.

Sylvia fits in with each location she has traveled to and connects immediately with each new client she meets. Sylvia has been with ResCare for eight years and has been a true example of a leader throughout her tenure. She is an excellent part of the team and makes sure everyone is kept informed on all aspects of a client's care. She is instrumental in maintaining a high standard for consistency and communication.

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.