

LOGAN RECEIVES DIRECT SERVICE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT GRANT

The Indiana Family & Social Services Administration has developed a Direct Service Workforce State plan that includes strategies around wages and benefits, training and pathways, and promotion and planning. An initial part of the plan includes the launch of a short-term wages and benefits strategy in the form of a Direct Service Workforce Investment Grant. As a recipient of this grant, LOGAN will pass along funding directly to our Direct Support Professionals (DSPs) in the form of a bonus in alignment with LOGAN *DSP Careers*. Letters will be sent the week of February 10 to each DSP communicating their bonus amount. Bonuses will be paid on February 17. Eligible employees are DSPs, or fill in for DSPs, who document for services provided, and complete 25 days of employment by and maintain employment through February 17. There is potential for additional DSP bonuses in 2023 depending upon LOGAN's future grant eligibility.

The Direct Service Workforce Grant will also add funding to our LOGAN Cares program, allowing us to help our DSPs with financial assistance who are going through a crisis or hardship. Applications for assistance may be submitted at logancares.org.

Each September, as a part of national Direct Support Professional Recognition Week, we celebrate and recognize the work of our DSPs. DSPs play an important role in fostering personal growth, independence and life skill development while encouraging and maintaining the health and well-being of the people they serve. The Direct Service Workforce Grant will support our recognition of DSPs during Direct Support Professional Week, September 10-16, 2023.

We are grateful that Indiana's Family & Social Services Administration recognizes the important role DSPs have in supporting LOGAN's mission to support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities so they and their families may achieve their desired quality of life.

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