Recognition Insider

Adriana Ruggiero

**Competency Area J: Showing Respect for Diversity and Inclusion**
Adriana Ruggiero is a cherished DSP in the Home Care Department for close to 10 years. She has developed a close and personal relationship with B. W. and his circle of supports. She always goes above and beyond to make sure that he is comfortable and respected. B. W loves to be included in everything with Adriana, whether it’s asking about her friends/fiancé or going to see a movie together, B. W loves every second of it. Adriana and B. W have developed a close relationship over the years. Recently, Adriana became engaged and asked him to be one of the groomsmen. B. W. was overjoyed, and overcome with emotional to be included in her special day.

**Competency Area O: Promoting Positive Behavior and Supports**
As soon as Adriana shows up to B. W.’s house, he has a big smile on his face. Although he jokes and says he doesn’t want to hang out with her because she is going to put him to work, he does; and always displays how excited and happy he is. B. W sees Adriana as an older sister/role model and looks up to her. Adriana has the ability to assist B. W. when he is overwhelmed and over stimulated to relax. Adriana is constantly promoting positive behavior and supports when she is with B. W.

**Competency Area V: Supporting Active Participation in the Community**
B. W loves going out in the community with her. They are always going on new adventures. Around his community, they are a team and everyone knows them. They have developed many different relationships with business owners, community locals and workers. With Adriana by his side, B. W gets to develop friendships every step of the way.

Monica Morace
MSC Supervisor/Reimburse
Employee of the Month – 2018

January  
Klon Myers

February  
Adriana Ruggiero

Employee of the Month Nominees - 2018

January
Maria Paulino  
Janet Beckford-Simms  
Allison Birot  
Jesus Mendez  
Com Hab  
Arlington  
Livonia  
Com Hab

February
Eliza DeArmas  
Laila Straker  
Home Care  
Crotona

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