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## 2015 Employee of the Year Donna Saunders



# Carol Haye, April 2016 Employee of the Month

Competency A: Supporting a person's unique capacities, personalities and potential. Competency G: Creating meaningful conversations.

Ms. Haye, CHS, has developed a very close relationship with her individual that this individual shares personal thoughts and ideas with Ms. Haye. This individual is extremely shy and will not speak unless she feels comfortable with the person. Ms. Have is very good in advocating for the individual she works with. Recently, Ms. Have accompanied the individual to court. Ms. Have advises the lawyer to explain a word she knows was unfamiliar, so the individual can answer with a better comprehension. Taking the time to explain and the individual counseling, enables the Service Recipient to make better choices.

#### Competency C: Promoting advocacy with the individual. Competency F: Building and maintaining relationships.

During personal interaction, Carol discovered the individual is interested in moving to a different apartment building. They spend a few days a week looking for ads in the newspaper, going to different neighborhoods and looking at buildings that may have apartments available. Carol assists the individual with writing numbers and filling out applications. Carol gave encouragement so she could speak for herself and advises her to take a moment and think about what she's going to say before verbalizing it. Ms. Hayes also advises the individual to ask questions if she doesn't understand something.

Having a close community tie, Carol makes it a goal not to look for places that are too far from the current neighborhood. Carol recognized that being shy, she may not make friends easily and that it is very important for this individual to keep current personal friendships.

Competency D: Facilitating personal growth and development.

Ms. Have discovered that one of her individual's weaknesses was the upkeep of her apartment. This individual would collect a lot of clutter, but through constant encouragement from Carol, she has made a great change in this area. She now has new motivation to get rid of her clutter, maintain her apartment and even wants to involve her kids and teach them to clean after themselves and keep their room clean.

Overall Ms. Haye has shown

an interest in making sure that the Service Recipient is a well-rounded person. This individual sees Ms. Have as an older sister that she can look up to and trust. One of the things that has stood out is the support that Carol has given this individual through difficult moments as well as making sure that this individual is a role model to her kids. Ms. Have has assisted the individual she works with in visits to the court and advocating for her when needed, assisting her during interviews, advising her on what is appropriate depending on the circumstances. Ms. Have is always thinking of improving her individual's well being.

Starly Orbe





2015 Team Spirit Award King Supported/Supervised IRA





The staff at The King Residence varies in length of employment from one year to 11 years. The staffing team has encountered varying challenges and issues providing care and assistance to an individual who is medically and behaviorally involved.

The team has demonstrated the Core Competency area of Supporting Health and Wellness with emphasis on team work to meet the daily challenges and to ensure that this individual receives the best care possible despite the medical challenges of recurring refusals of treatment and care that could result in serious medical complications. Staff has adapted nursing home skill set to care for an individual who is involved medically and behavioral. The constantly meeting and adjust to the needs of the individuals and not the normal DSP role. Their advocacy skills help this individual to lead a normal life, which is a homely environment.

The entire team demonstrated the Core Competency of Developing Professional Relationships and Exhibiting Professional Behavior. They imple-

## April 2016 Nominees

Shanika Hoilette	Bryant
Aviance Cox	Resider
Lillian Jalloh	Resider
Janeba Kargo	Richmo
Keica Burroughs	Resider
Inez Serrano	Resider

Lynette McFarlane

Residential Residential Richmond Hill Residential Residential Nurse ment the evolving plan for the individual amidst the challenging time to ensure that the individual is safe. Their resilience while facing continuous challenges, maintaining daily routines under increase in job demands, but mostly being able to provide care with a smile though the challenges are great. They exceed the expectation to meet the needs of all the individuals they serve and do it with grace and compassion routinely.

Under the leadership of Residence Manager, Karene Griffith, the staff has gone over and above the call of duty, despite the challenges they face daily. Ms. Griffith has also supported the staff and emphasized professionalism on a daily basis. Ms. Griffith uses "hands on" training with staff, which brings together a sense of great team work. I nominate the entire team at King for their outstanding work in the face of adversity.

Erica Robinson

Amanda Hall-Pratt	178th St
Melissa Hanna	CHS
Jesse Calvin	Liberty
Annette Aponte	Underhill

# 2015 Additional Recognitions

Anne Peters 25 Years Maureen Mesquitta 20 Years

15 Years **Tiffany Brown** Edna Camacho **Regina Freeman Gloria Hardwick** Pamela Jackson Annmarie Malcolm Sixta Martinez Dyanna Harris

Admins of the Quarter

Brittney Riley, Izabella Voznyak, Lakisha Grady, Jocelyn Roman

Supervisors of the Quarter Nancy Lombardo, Carolyn Giambastiani, Marie Romain, Sharon Wilson, Karene Griffith,

10 Years **Gladys** Alberto Fiona caines Teresa Fonseca Altagracia Guilbert Simone Hector Tamiko Hill Margarita Lino Idalia Liranzo Ivonne Martinez Scott Martinez Katy Moquete Marie Romain Audrick Roper

> THANK YOU

5 Years Mary Bamidele Frantzy Charles Joanne Cropper Michael Cunningham Awilda Delvalle Ernesto Franco Sandra Gaillard Jacqueline Gordon Maxene Griffiths Wendy Harry Katiuska Jorge Grace Luisman Charlette Rattigan Primottee Lee Chong **Denise Valdez Claressa Williams** Shanquana Williams

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#### About

The Employee of the Month (EOM/) Committee reviews and votes on the monthly nominations submitted by supervisors, for Employee of the Month, Admin and Supervisor of the Quarter. The monthly nominees are voted on based on the Core Competencies and the award is bestowed upon the employee with these demonstrated actions.

The committee also meets once a year to review the Employee of the Year nominations and to select a winner. The winner is announced during the Employee Awards Ceremony.

# 2016 Headliners

January 2016	February 2016	March 2016	Supervisor of the 1st
5 5	Marie Remy	Jared Jackson	Quarter
Rosemary DeCarlo	Michael Beckford	Melissa Hanna	Carolyn Giambastiani
Natalie Paul	Nicole Arce		
Joy Sackey		Paul Johnson	
Nicole Arce	Rachelle Pierre-Louis	Madelyn Williams	Admin of the 1st Quarter
Bamidele Ayilola	Nyenk Subah	Denise Valdez	
Petra Doldron	Errol Charles	Jhamaul-Antoine Pickney	Kimberly Castrogiovanni
Jennifer Jackson	Jessica Threatt		
Adriane Riddick	Madelyn Williams		
Erica Simes			
Rosemarie Miller			