Denise Myers has been a dedicated Direct Support Professional with The Center for Family Support for five years now.

**Core Competency D: Facilitating personal growth and development. Recognizes the individual need for teaching, and preferred style for learning, and can perform individualized teaching based on this information.**

Ms. Myers demonstrates the ability to effectively teach through informal opportunities. In November, “Bob” the service recipient, had a job interview; Denise initiated a teaching moment by asking what he would be wearing to the interview. “*Bob*” can be a little shy so he didn’t answer and shrugged his shoulders. Denise then asked him if he had a suit. He responded with a smile and said yes. Denise went a step further and encouraged “Bob” to practice. He went upstairs to put the suit on, Denise set up the office and conducted a mock interview with him. She praised him after the interview and also gave him pointers on things he could do better.

More recently an individual had been struggling with keeping up with hygiene. Denise took the time out to find out why the service recipient did not like taking showers. She came up with a plan to help make it more fun for the individual to shower.

Ms. Myers recognizes an individual’s preferred style of learning and can perform individualized teaching based on this information. She makes suggestions and allows them to make their own choices. By doing so Ms. Myers demonstrates the ability to follow a plan for successful teaching.

Ms. Myers is always willing to assist the service recipients and the team in any way she can and they feel confident with her abilities; she is very diligent in the work she does with each person.

Residence Manager: Katrina Douglas

*“Bob” name changed.*
EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH - NOMINEES 2017

January
Annette Aponte  Medical Coordinator
Soo Kang 135th
Denise Myers  Riverdale
Jenny McNally  Bryant
Carles Van Riel  Lincoln
Sunde Lovett  Crotona

February
Lourde Lorjuste  Homecare
Allison Birot  Livonia
Steven Houston  Hale
Janiquwa Morrison  Broadway
Wendy Harry  Liberty

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – 2017

Month  Name  Department
January  Annie Sistrunk  Kelly
February  Denise Myers  Riverdale