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Supporting the DD Workforce

I Have A Son With Developmental. Disabilities And I'm His Caregiver And I Been A DSP For Over 20 Years

It's A Very Hard Job To Take Care Of Someone With A Disability . I Don't Send Him To Any Day Program Because The Staff Is Short And The Reason Why Because The Pay is Very Low People At Mcdonald Make Anywhere From 15 To 16 Dollar An Hour Just To Take Order And The State Expect DSP To Take Care Of Someone Whom Have Developmental Disabilities For 15 Dollar And Hour I Feel As A Parent And A DSP The Pay Should Start Around 20 Dollar And Plus And Then It Wouldn't Be That Hard To Find Help. And Parent Can Fill Comfortable To Send Thier Love One's To Day Program And Wouldn't Have To Worry About Them Receiving The Care Their Supposed To Received. The State Always Say People With Developmental Disabilities Have Rights Only When They Feel Something Is Wrong But Truthfully They Don't Have Rights They Can't Even Receive The Care That Thier Entitled To Receive Because No One Wants To Work For 10 To 15 Dollar An Hour When The Can Go To Any Fast Food Restaurant And Make The Same Amount Of Money Doing Nothing So The State Needs To Change The Pay