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National Apprenticeship Week

National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) is celebrated annually the second week of November to showcase the successes and value of Registered Apprenticeship. The Division of Developmental Disabilities is proud of the accomplishments of each apprentice and employer partner participating in the Missouri Talent Pathways (MO TAP) Certified Direct Support Professional (CDSP) Registered Apprenticeship Program.

Registered Apprenticeships are an industry-driven training model recognized as a key strategy to improving job quality, employee retention, and access to jobs for all populations in addressing nationwide workforce shortages. In the first year of MO TAP, there are 226 active apprentices participating at 18 employer partner sites. There have been 39 graduates who have earned the CDSP credential.

To learn more about National Apprenticeship Week, visit <u>NAW</u>. To learn more about the Certified Direct Support Professional Program, visit <u>MO TAP</u>.

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