

Do you consider yourself a kind, patient, hard-working individual? Maybe you should think about going in to a job as a direct support professional. The requirements are that you need your GED, to be over the age of 18, willing to participate in the random drug/alcohol testing program and background check.

Gain professional experience and training.

A job in DSP requires training in first aid and CPR classes, medication distribution, lift training and all day-to-day occurrences. It will all be paid for you to begin your job. DSP is a great way to gain some knowledge and experience to launch a career in healthcare, social work, counseling, human services and special needs jobs.

Making someone's life easier and happier.

Clients are depending on you to make their life as normal as possible. They are paying you to be their friend, go to and caretaker. The day-to-day work has a strong impact on the individuals being served. You will help them with their abilities to live an independent life.

Do Fun things!

Also, take your clients out and about during the day. You could be going to lunch, a movie, the mall, bowling or anything you think your client might enjoy. Anything that they would like to do, you can and should take them to do.

Change of Perspective.

As a DSP, you will be touched by your clients. Hopefully it will begin to change your perspective of the world. Becoming a DSP will give you a sense of accomplishment and self-fulfillment that you will most likely not find in other jobs.

CSCS's philosophy starts with an emphasis on advocating with and for people with mental illness and intellectual/developmental disabilities by providing the support, assistance, and encouragement they need to

live and work as independently as possible in their community.

