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# HEMOCARE

## Management Corporation News

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## Service Spotlight

In-Home Skill Building is a core service in the Innovation Waiver. This service supports the person in developing life skills, which are the building blocks toward living independently. In-Home Skill Building can help with development of personal relationships, community living skills (such as shopping, recreation, banking, and other community activities), and training with services essential to healthcare at home. Services are provided in the participant's home or community — not in the home of the Behavioral Technician.

The term "In-Home" can be confusing. The name of the service is intended to show that supports are provided to help the person live at home rather than a group home or institution. Services can be provided in community locations as long as the community activities support the goals listed in the plan. For example, if the person has a goal

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## Client Spotlight

**Autymn Gore**, who recently celebrated a birthday on November 27, is 13 years old and lives in Whiteville with her mother and grandparents. She's a 7th-grader at Central Middle School.

Autymn loves window shopping, playing games, participating in the Special Olympics, music, chocolate milkshakes and giving people hugs.

Autymn says that she loves her Behavioral Technicians (BT) **Karen Horne** and **Heather Watts**. She said that they are "really nice" and she enjoys her time with them.

They are currently working with Autymn on her personal and socialization skills and have seen a great improvement in both areas since services began with HEMOCARE Management.

Autymn is very pleased with her services through HEMOCARE Man-



agement and is excited that services will continue and she is able to continue to work towards reaching her goals.

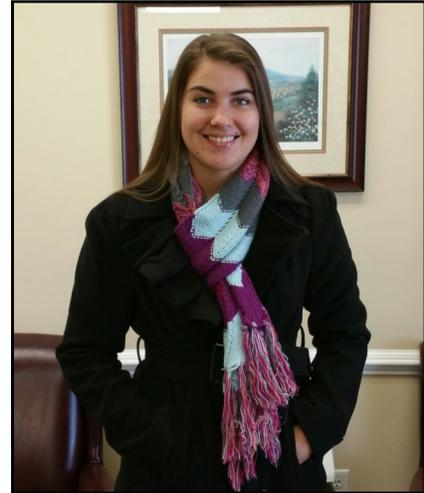
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# Employee Spotlight

**Bronte Dipzinski** is a Certified Nurse Aide and trained Behavioral Technician working out of the Wilmington office. Bronte has provided services for HOMECARE for one year and has already made a difference in our consumers' lives. She currently performs personal care duties five days a week with two separate clients. Bronte is also cross trained to work with the I/DD population providing Personal Assistance and Respite services.

She is currently attending the College of Wilmington majoring in medical coding/billing. Bronte is hardworking, dependable and is always willing to help out when the need arises. Bronte juggles going to school full-time and working full-time with a bright smile and a wonderful attitude. Her clients are always excited to see her and appreciate her hard work and upbeat demeanor.

HOMECARE is proud to have Bronte as an employee!



## Anniversaries

Celebrating 14 years with HOMECARE this month are *Cindy Clark* from Statesville and *Doris Skipper* from Wilmington; 11 years is *Deborah Padgett* from Wilmington and 10 years is *Cindy Anderson* from Whiteville. Also celebrating this month are *Pearlene Messer* (9 years) from Whiteville, *Annette Jaones* from Statesville and *LaSanda Thomas* from Wilmington (8 years), *Marchella Castrenze* from Statesville and *Victoria Bordeaux* from Wilmington (7 years) and *Mary Adams* (6 years) from Wilmington.

Thank you for putting our mission to practice on a daily basis. *Since 1994, the mission of HOMECARE Management Corporation is to provide the services necessary for people to be as independent as possible in their own homes and communities, rather than having to live in institutions.*

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to respect the personal space of others, it may be beneficial to walk in a shopping complex where personal boundaries can be practiced.

In-Home Skill Building is typically combined with Personal Care. Personal Care helps the person maintain skills already learned or to complete a personal care task. For example, the activity of brushing teeth combines both. The person may be able to put on the toothpaste, and bring it to his mouth, but needs assistance with thoroughly brushing the teeth. The IHSB training will focus on learning the steps and skills to brush teeth. Once the person has done all they can with acquiring those skills and shows no further progress, the goal can then be transferred to personal care to maintain the skills learned. It is anticipated that as the person reaches his highest potential, the need for additional training will be reduced.

Currently, HOMECARE provides In-Home Skill Building services to 178 people. To be eligible for In-Home Skill Building, the participant must be an NC Innovations recipient. NC Innovations is a Medicaid Waiver that provides supports for people with Developmental Disabilities. If you are an NC Innovations recipient and would like to receive In-Home Skill Building services from us, please contact your Care Coordinator and inform him/her of your interest in these services. You have a right to choose your In-Home Skill Building service provider, even if you receive services from a separate agency.

If you would like to discuss the provision of In-Home Skill Building service further, please contact your local HOMECARE Management Corporation office.

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