

Indiana Direct Service Workers: We need to hear from you!

Indiana's Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) is recruiting new members to the statewide Direct Service Workforce Advisory Board! The State is looking for 5-6 direct service workers to serve on the Advisory Board to share their experiences and needs. The State knows that **you** are the backbone of the long-term services and supports system.



Who: Direct service workers help older adults and people with disabilities to work and live where they want, including individual homes, assisted living facilities, nursing facilities, and group homes.

Examples of direct service workers include:

- » Home health aides
- » Personal care attendants
- » Certified nursing assistants
- » Direct support professionals

What: Examples of what FSSA wants and needs to learn from direct service workers:

- » What is important to you in your role as a direct service worker?
- » What training(s) would be helpful in your role as a direct service worker?
- » What, if any, barriers exist to staying and/or advancing in your role as a direct service worker?
- » What types of support work help you stay in your role as a direct service worker?

When: Beginning in early 2023, the Advisory Board will meet at least four (4) times a year for the next two years. As FSSA appreciates the participation of board members in the meetings, after each board meeting a gift card is sent to board members who attend that meeting.

How: If you would like to join the Direct Service Workforce Advisory Board, please complete [this form](#) or contact April Young at ayoung@advancingstates.org or 202-898-2578 by **Friday, February 10, 2023**.

