

# Customized Support Newsletter

## Staffing Changes at Lifeworks Customized Support

Dawn Thorn has resigned from her position with Lifeworks as director of Customized Support. Dawn's last day is Friday, October 22, 2010.

All of us at Lifeworks express our gratitude to Dawn for her four years service to Lifeworks. Her focus, contributions - including her leadership in developing the web portal - and dedication in providing excellent services to our clients, consumer directed services, and for people with disabilities in the state of Minnesota is clearly evident.

For any day-to-day needs that you have, please continue to contact your assigned coordinator.

To initiate services for an individual, please contact Clare Schmid at 651-365-3739 or [cschmid@lifeworks.org](mailto:cschmid@lifeworks.org) or Tyler Langenfeld at 651-365-3750 or [tlangenfeld@lifeworks.org](mailto:tlangenfeld@lifeworks.org).

For any other requests or questions related to Lifeworks Customized Support please contact Vicki Gerrits at 651-365-3734 or [vgerrits@lifeworks.org](mailto:vgerrits@lifeworks.org).

## National Disability Employment Awareness Month

In 1988, Congress declared the entire month of October to be National Disability Employment Awareness Month. While this month is intended to celebrate the remarkable achievements of individuals with disabilities in the workplace, Lifeworks Services would like to take this opportunity to expand this celebration to include **all people** who, through work, are making a difference in the lives of persons with disabilities.

So please join us this month in our effort to thank everyone involved. Whether they are providing transportation, cleaning your home, or simply showing up for work on time, each employee or vendor plays an important role in helping individuals with disabilities and their families lead successful lives. Lifeworks appreciates all their hard work. So together, let's give them the thanks they so richly deserve!

Also in celebration of National Disability Employment Awareness Month, please take a moment to **watch our newest video** and learn more about the value of employment in the life of a person with a disability. **Visit [www.lifeworks.org](http://www.lifeworks.org) to watch and share with your friends and family.**

## Lifeworks Chosen as the November Minnesota Wild Charity of the Month

Watch out Wild fans. Amidst the roaring crowds, icy spray, and banging glass of a Minnesota Wild game, you may see something new. Lifeworks! **This November Lifeworks has been chosen as the Minnesota Wild Charity of the Month.**

The Minnesota Wild recognizes a different local charity each month during the regular season. The Charity of the Month Program provides awareness and exposure for the chosen non-profit over the course of one month. Lifeworks will be featured on [Wild.com](http://Wild.com) and at the **November 5, 2010 Wild home game** by displaying photos on the video board and in-arena public address announcements.



## Holiday Reminders

Early submission of timecards for payroll will be as follows due to the upcoming holidays:

**Paycheck 11/26/10** - all time needs to be submitted by **8:00 p.m. on Sunday 11/21/10**

**Paycheck 12/24/10** - all time needs to be submitted by **8:00 p.m. on Sunday 12/19/10**

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