

Why being a Direct Support Professional is the BEST JOB for Older People!!

Yes! You can work after retirement and being a Direct Support Professional or DSP could just be the perfect job for you.

But what is a DSP? It is someone who works directly with people who have a disability. DSPs aim to assist people in realizing their full potential and live more independent, integrated, and engaged life in the community.



You can earn extra money, meet new people, and make a difference helping others.

And besides 83% of those surveyed agreed that having a job makes you feel younger! 😊

This is a job with flexibility, new challenges, a sense of purpose, and much more.

This is why:

1. **A paycheck.** Obviously. Earn some extra spending cash or save for a special trip you have been dreaming about. Besides that, if you continue working, you continue to pay into Social Security, which could increase your benefits down the road.
2. **Your schedule is FLEXIBLE!** Work around your other commitments. Did you want to work 5 or 10 hours? 20 hours or more? Maybe you only want to work occasionally (there are float positions)? No problem. Mornings, afternoons, evenings? Weekends, every other weekend?
3. **You need social contact.** Personal interaction with clients and co-workers can help you stay engaged and boost day-to-day happiness levels.
4. **Stay active and on-the-go.** You can stay healthier and live longer when you are active and engaged. A job can help maintain your mental wellbeing and keep your mind sharp.
5. **You want to try something NEW.** Getting out and about in the community with your clients can help you discover new things and new experiences along the way.
6. **Has your lifelong passion been helping others?** You can be paid to do that – the people you work with depend on you to help them build their ideal life. You can make their life easier and happier.
7. **You get the privilege to be part of someone's milestones and personal growth.** You can make connections that will last a lifetime! The people you work with will feel like family.
8. **Change your perspective.** You will be touched by the individuals you work with. It may change how you have always viewed the world. You will get a sense of accomplishment and self-fulfillment that is harder to find in other jobs.

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