Frontline Initiative is the official publication of The National Alliance for Direct Support Professionals (NADSP). It is written and designed for direct support professionals (DSP) and frontline supervisors (FLS) in their work supporting individuals with disabilities.

Are you passionate about a topic or idea that would be interesting to other DSPs? Would you share your stories or ideas for an issue of *Frontline Initiative*?

Frontline Initiative invites DSPs, FLSs, agency personnel, other professionals in the field, individuals with disabilities, family members, advocates, and others to send stories and articles for possible publication. Article or story formats may include:

- "how-to's,"
- ready-to-use job aids for supporting individuals with disabilities,
- quality assurance ideas and reviews of codes/competencies,
- updates on trends,
- resource (books, videos, websites, etc.) reviews, and
- viewpoints of interest related to direct support professionals and frontline supervisors.

Need help writing an article? We have a fantastic editorial board who can help!

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Length: 500-1000 words. Long submissions may be shorted by editorial staff or divided into parts across several issues.

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If you have a story but feel shy about putting it into words we can help.

- We are willing to interview you and help you to write your story. We have a great team of editors who will help with spelling and grammar.

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