

# KidsCare MONTHLY

YOUR MONTHLY GUIDE TO ALL THINGS KIDSCARE



WHAT'S IN THIS ISSUE?

**GET TO KNOW OUR  
NETWORK ENGINEER**

## PROMO, PROMO!

Please welcome our new VP of Information Technology! Jason has been with KidsCare since September 2010 and has been promoted several times along the way. In his 10+ years at KidsCare, Jason has always performed his duties with C.A.R.E. in mind. At the executive level, Jason will ensure technology is serving all staff to make our jobs as efficient as possible! He will also have a big focus in ensuring we stay up to speed with technology changes over time, continue to meet the changing technology needs of our staff, always deliver a high level of IT support to staff as we continue to grow into new communities throughout the US and are always one of the most tech savvy home health agencies in the country! We look forward to working with Jason in his new role.



**Jason Olson**  
*VP of Information  
Technology*

***Congrats on a well-deserved promotion!***

**CONGRATS**

employees of the quarter

*texas edition*



**Jack Stepczynski**

*Physical Therapist*



**Kaylene Mesecher**

*Speech Language Pathologist*



**Julie Anderson-  
Siedens**

*Occupational Therapist*

***Congrats on your  
achievement!***

# CONGRATS

## employee of the year

*texas edition*

Tina Hamilton joined KidsCare in May of 2018 and accepted the position of Lead SLP for Team Angela in 2020. She is in her 10th year of clinical practice and she is an experienced feeding therapist. Tina currently teaches our hands-on sessions for the feeding modules and mentors STs and OTs participating in the training. Tina also supervises four Assistant SLPs and maintains her own caseload. Tina has helped our team grow by talking with potential candidates about her experience with KidsCare, allowing them to shadow her, mentoring new hires, and by supervising assistants. She is always willing to take on new tasks with a smile and positive spirit. I am so grateful to Tina for her commitment to KidsCare and children with special needs, and for her support of me and our team.

*-Angela Marunowski  
Clinical Manager, Houston*



**Tina Hamilton**  
Speech Language  
Pathologist

***Congrats on your  
achievement!***

## KIDSCARE KUDOS

My child is done with her physical therapy and I couldn't be happier with her progress. Our physical therapist **[Minerva]** was awesome, kind, warm and caring every time she came to visit. My baby loves her and we just wanted to let her know how much we appreciate and recognize how special she is to us and all of the families she helps. Thank you KidsCare for sending such a wonderful person our way.

*physical therapy, Houston*

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# GET TO KNOW



**BRIAN GOZA**  
NETWORK ENGINEER

## WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT YOUR JOB AS NETWORK ENGINEER?

☞☞ I love that my tasks are rarely the same and each project brings up a different level of complexity. There are parts of computer networking that read like a shampoo bottle (lather, rinse, and repeat), but most of the time the career is extremely unique and provides new challenges that require innovative strategies to get the best solution. Additionally, network security is a large portion of network engineering and Cybersecurity threats are constantly evolving which translates to lifelong learning. ☞☞

## MEET BRIAN

☞☞ I have worked in Healthcare IT for approximately 20 years and love it. I worked in a rural healthcare space for six years leading up to 2020, and decided it was time to move closer to my parents and some of my high school friends. I grew up all over Arkansas since my dad is a retired Methodist pastor, but my high school years were in Ashdown, AR about 20 miles north of Texarkana. All the fun things to do were in Texas! ☞☞

## WHY KIDSCARE?

☞☞ A friend of mine in Chicago works with a vendor of KidsCare and recommended the Network Engineer position to me. He described the work KidsCare is doing in the pediatric home health landscape and I knew this would be a match made in heaven to work for an organization with caring people with a great cause! ☞☞

## INTERESTS

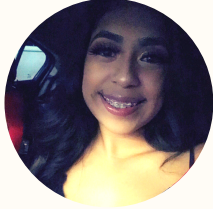
☞☞ I have played more PC video games than I care to reminisce about during COVID-19. I am looking forward to TopGolf, movies, escape rooms, and bowling when the pandemic eases up more. I also love to play and teach tennis when I can find willing victims (I mean *participants* ☺). Indoor hobbies include digital photography like sketching on the iPad or using Adobe Photoshop to completely change a photograph ☞☞



# MEET THE NEW KIDS



Tania Almonte  
SLP Asst  
Dallas, TX



Nohemi Arellano  
Physician Liaison  
Dallas, TX



Maya Brown  
Physician Liaison  
Dallas, TX



Tara Boyd  
SLP  
Dallas, TX



Anthony Frazier  
Authorization Coord  
Dallas, TX



Aaron Bradley  
Authorization Coord  
Dallas, TX



Shauna Baker  
RN  
Dallas, TX



Jessica Burkin  
SLP  
Denver, CO



Eloise Craig  
LVN  
Dallas, TX



Angeline Danan  
OT  
Houston, TX



Karlie Easley  
Director of Nursing  
Boise, ID



Lauren Estrada  
RN  
Denver, CO



Diane Marin  
OT  
Austin, TX



Stephanie Melgoza  
SLP Asst.  
San Antonio



Kellie Nix  
LVN  
Dallas, TX



Kimberly Novak  
OT  
Fort Worth, TX



Pedro Ortiz  
SLP Asst.  
Houston, TX



Nella Parker  
LVN  
Dallas, TX



Nancy Brad  
PT  
Co Springs, CO



Diana Solis  
SLP Asst  
Dallas, TX



Debra Steading  
SLP  
Co Springs, CO



Madison Thomas  
OT  
Dallas, TX



Rachel Thompson  
PT  
Austin, TX



Courtney Triplett  
SLP Asst.  
Fort Worth, TX



Patrick Garcia  
Community Relations  
Coord.  
Portland, OR



Moses Hernandez  
LVN  
Dallas, TX



Tarrian Joy  
COTA  
Dallas, TX



Martha Linyard  
OT  
Dallas, TX



Krisienalie Madriaga  
PT  
San Antonio, TX



Success Umezuruike  
RN  
Dallas, TX



Juan Vega  
Community Relations  
Coord.  
Denver, CO

**not pictured:**

Dustin Reeves  
Community Relations Director  
Dallas, TX

Amy Yerby  
LVN  
Dallas, TX

*Welcome to the KidsCare family!*

## ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

Triz, Madelyn - 1 yr  
Castro, Andrea - 1 yr  
Bruzek, Rebecca - 1 yr  
Rodriguez, Courtney - 1 yr  
Brenholtz, Marsha - 1 yr  
Derose, Derek - 1 yr  
Phan, Anne - 1 yr  
Lupambo, Chikope - 1 yr  
Monson, Katie - 1 yr  
Reynolds, Kristin - 1 yr  
Lai, Wen-Yi - 1 yr  
Castillo, Yvette - 1 yr  
McCorkle, Leslie - 1 yr  
Morales, Sylvia - 1 yr  
Herskovits, Isaac - 1 yr  
Brashears, Tremain - 1 yr  
Pales, Amanda - 1 yr  
Standish, Melanie - 1 yr  
Joseph, Jocelyn - 1 yr  
Schwers, Haylee - 1 yr  
Fleisher, Emma - 1 yr  
Gillani, Zahra - 1 yr  
Villela Alvarez, Perla - 1 yr  
Blair, Laura - 1 yr  
Ceballos, Alma - 2 yrs  
Landry, Steven - 2 yrs  
Spink, Allison - 2 yrs  
Le, Anh - 2 yrs  
Hernandez, Elizama - 2 yrs

Crews, Rachel - 2 yrs  
McNabb, Kristin - 2 yrs  
Torres, Jasmin - 2 yrs  
McKinnerney, Taylor - 2 yrs  
Donaghy, Philippa - 2 yrs  
Pendarvis, Ginger - 2 yrs  
Griffin, Janae - 2 yrs  
Ornelas, Maria - 2 yrs  
Vandusen, Neima - 2 yrs  
Bajkowsky, Mark - 2 yrs  
Nguyen, Diep - 2 yrs  
Gray, Kate - 2 yrs  
Maqueda, Kristina - 2 yrs  
Lopez, Gabriel - 2 yrs  
Nunez, Daniela - 2 yrs  
Maldonado, Melanie - 2 yrs  
Heath, MacKenzie - 2 yrs  
Trujillo, Tara - 2 yrs  
Johnson, Stephanie - 2 yrs  
O'Brien, Stacey - 3 yrs  
Murphree, Jordan - 3 yrs  
Mayo, Stephen - 4 yrs  
Vigil Perez, Adriana - 4 yrs  
Thomas, Stephanie - 6 yrs  
Tamayo, Sandra - 7 yrs  
Grigerek, Elizabeth - 8 yrs  
Norwood, Alyce - 9 yrs  
Chapman, Kristin - 9 yrs  
**Baker, Jason - 15 yrs**

Ruffo, Gabriella 3/01  
Jones, Alma 3/01  
Obi, Precious 3/02  
Makengne, Laurentine 3/02  
Detweiler, Annie 3/03  
Moore, Kayla 3/03  
Leverette, Derek 3/04  
Degu, Assefa 3/04  
Chapman, Ellen 3/05  
Gutierrez, Miranda 3/06  
Say-Reyes, Edgar 3/06  
Ward, Rekeshia 3/06  
Warren, Marianne 3/07  
Castro, Andrea 3/07  
Reyneveld, Meagan 3/07  
Crawford, Rachel 3/08  
Kuhns, Tiffany 3/08  
Oluwasegun, Oluwaremilekun 3/08  
Wesson, Jade 3/08  
Nix, Kellie 3/08  
Ahmed, Biya 3/10  
Wilson, Jeff 3/10  
Morgan, Erika 3/10  
Hammond, Amy 3/10  
Griffin, Janae 3/10  
Clark, Tiffany 3/10  
Moody, Hailee 3/11  
Heads, Evon 3/11  
West, Chelsey 3/13  
Starr, Katherine 3/14  
Honan, Megan 3/14

Farris, Camille 3/15  
Le, Anh 3/15  
Taylor, Liliana 3/15  
Villarreal, Briana 3/15  
Slater, Jessica 3/16  
Anderson-Seidens, Julie 3/17  
Maldonado, Melanie 3/17  
Jacobs, Lana 3/17  
Francis, Ashlie 3/17  
Foster, Mary 3/19  
Danan, Angeline 3/19  
Eckert, Deborah 3/19  
Cabello, Francisco 3/19  
Smith, Sarah 3/20  
Bailey, Angela 3/21  
Loos, Kaitlyn 3/21  
Goza, Brian 3/24  
Wilson, Anna 3/25  
Votaw, April 3/25  
Huffman, Brittani 3/25  
Godfrey, Claire 3/26  
Silvestri, Alissa 3/26  
Lambreth, Sierra 3/26  
Stella, Patricia 3/27  
Spiro, Samantha 3/28  
Chacko, Jency 3/28  
Torres, Amaranta 3/29  
Stokes, Alayna 3/29  
Campbell, Ashley 3/30  
Foshee, Sarah 3/30  
Holtzinger, Sara 3/30  
Faiola, Kristen 3/30  
Lambert, Katrina 3/31

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