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I have worked as a DSP for 2 years now. I've been blessed to be a part of an amazing company that appreciates their staff. Although we, as staff, are appreciated, we do not get paid enough for the multiple faucets included in the day-to-day life of DD services DSPs. We give so much energy and care into our people that we barely have enough when we get home but I could not imagine doing anything else, my people are so sweet and show that they truly appreciate everything we do for them but the pay is not enough to pay rent and bills and that is with two incomes in my household. we need to raise the wage and show the appreciation we have for DSP's this job is rewarding but not easy and the people that love doing it should be paid a living wage!