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Making a difference in people's lives with DD/ID and mental health issues is why I wanted to work in this field. I can see the need and also the demand for our services. We have left this in the hands of our leadership that has not done the job. We have known about overtime costs, and we have known about these longer stays. We have not been focused on any of these issues by our leadership. What have we done and who will this impact the most. Please keep the homes of these individuals open and fund SACU at current service level! They deserve better!