



Hannah Bratcher

Director of Respiratory Therapy

Since 2017, Hannah Bratcher has been a friendly familiar face in the halls of the Hattie Larlham Center for Children with Disabilities. As the Director of Respiratory Therapy, Hannah supervises the respiratory therapists at the Center, in addition to providing direct care to residents herself.

"I have a lot of fond memories from Hattie Larlham as the last few years have gone by. I think that every day is rewarding in some way. My favorite part of a lot of days is taking time to take residents on walks, feeding them, or just sitting to talk with them for a minute. I have laughed, cried, and enjoyed so many days here," Hannah shared when asked what her favorite part of the job is. "We have the most caring and compassionate people that work here, who aren't afraid to advocate for the residents. We all have residents that become such a big important part of our lives while working here. The impact is immeasurable."

Q: What special impact do you feel the Center has on the people served there?

A: The people we care for are provided a lot of nurturing love and relationships here, along with the 24/7 personal and medical care they need. There aren't a lot of places for medically fragile children to go that is "home". We are a facility, but this is home to the people we serve.

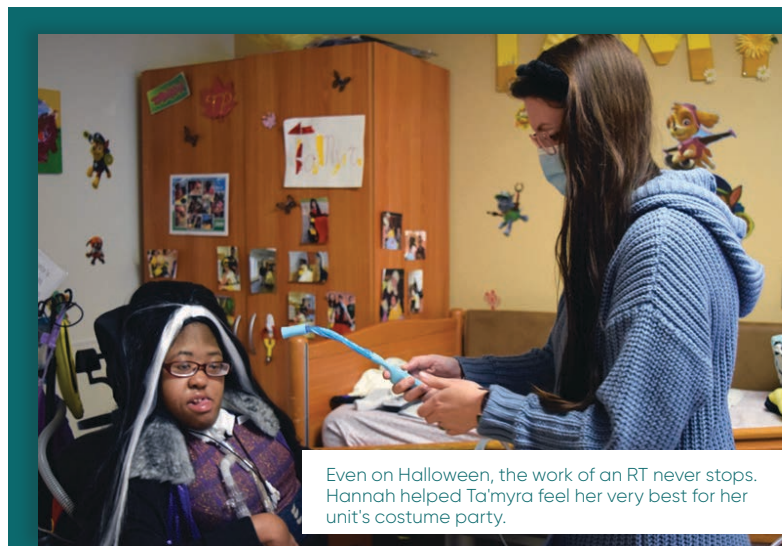
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We asked Hannah's supervisor, Sandy Cinch, to discuss her thoughts on why Hannah is a great asset to the organization. Sandy, who is the vice president of the Hattie Larlham Center for Children with Disabilities, had lots of glowing remarks to share.

"Hannah is an amazing employee. She is extremely reliable and works very hard throughout the day to provide high quality care to the persons served at the Center. Hannah always comes to work with a positive attitude and goes above and beyond her regular call of duties to support persons served and coworkers. I was extremely impressed with Hannah's work ethic at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic when she jumped right in to coordinate N95 face mask fit testing and training for not only the Center staff, but for many other staff throughout the organization. This has been extremely helpful for many service areas throughout Hattie Larlham. Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic impacting Hattie Larlham, Hannah initiated many fun activities for persons served who have ventilators. This includes going with persons served on community outings such as a North Pole plane ride, going to see fireworks, attending a camp, and going to parades. Hannah is commended for not only making sure persons served with ventilators are safe, but that they can participate in fulfilling activities within the facility and also in the community. Hannah has received many STAR employee awards over the past few years since employed at Hattie Larlham, which goes without saying how very valuable her dedication and strong work ethic truly is."



Even on Halloween, the work of an RT never stops. Hannah helped Ta'myra feel her very best for her unit's costume party.