

# LIFE PATTERNS INC.

## Life Patterns Lowdown

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### Tax Deadline April 15th



### Summer is Coming

School is almost out and summer is right around the corner. Members with an IEP on their Plan of Care may see a change for the summer months. If you have questions, please reach out to us and we will let you know what is available for summer.

Hiring workers for the summer? You can find the New Hire Packet on our website: [LifePatternsKS.org](http://LifePatternsKS.org). After the packet is completed, please send to our office for processing. Workers must have current background checks before working. **Workers cannot start working without passing the background checks first.**

If you are having a worker return, please contact us to check to see if their background checks are up to date. Background checks need to be updated every two years.

Have a happy and safe summer!



### New Staff in Montezuma

Some of you have likely heard a new voice on the phone in the Montezuma Office. Makayla Enns started working, and she is excited and happy to help with answering questions and looking over hours. Makayla graduated from Tarleton State University with a degree in Business. Makayla comes to us from Texas having worked in customer service and agriculture. She has a happy energetic spirit and though she may be new to this industry, please help us welcome her.

Makayla Enns—SW Program Coordinator Email: [makayla@lifepatternsks.org](mailto:makayla@lifepatternsks.org)

## Medicaid Fraud

### Medicaid Fraud

Fraud is a punishable crime and must be reported to the Attorney General's Office. Life Patterns Inc. is a mandated reporter for fraud. Once reported to the Attorney General's Office, there will be an investigation, and if fraud is proven, Medicaid eligibility may be lost. Consequences can include arrest and prosecution, fines and jail time, civil damages and monetary penalties.

### What is considered Medicaid Fraud?

- Clocking in and claiming hours that aren't worked.
- Clocking in and claiming hours under someone else's AuthentiCare ID number.
- Knowingly submitting false information.
- Double billing or being clocked in while the participant is in school, admitted to the hospital, or any type of facility.

## Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation (ANE)

### Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation

Any vulnerable adult or child is protected from any type of abuse, neglect, or exploitation by the Kansas Department of Children and Families (DCF). Life Patterns will report to DCF or Adult Protective Services (APS) for any suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation of members and report to the authorities when necessary. We want to ensure safety to our members and their families.

### What is Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation?

**Abuse**—any act or failure to act that causes harm or injury. Examples are physical or mental injury, sexual abuse, isolation of an individual, or deprivation by a caretaker of goods or services that are necessary.

**Neglect**— failure or omission of a caretaker or other person to provide goods and services that are necessary to ensure safety and well being.

**Exploitation**— wrongfully appropriating of a person's resources or to take advantage for personal benefit.



## OFFICES CLOSED

Our Offices will be closed for Memorial Day

**May 25th, 2026**