



# Dawn Webb

## Provider (Bachelor)

My life was not always easy, but past experiences created a passion for helping teens and families. I knew when I was a sophomore in high school that I wanted to work with teens as a teacher. I wanted to help the quiet kids to feel like they were heard and offer support to all teens, even while I still was one. I went to school at a small liberal arts college and in my senior year I found out that I was pregnant with my first child. The situation was not ideal but I had amazing support from my church, friends, and family. I later completed my degree in Secondary English Education with a Psych Minor while working a full-time job and parenting four young kids (all under the age of 7 at the time) with my husband.

My career has included 12 years in youth ministry, followed by 15 years working for CESA 11 Head Start. I am still a licensed middle school/high school teacher, though my career has kept me outside of the public school system for the most part. Most of my time with CESA involved teaching parenting skills to teenage parents, and this became a passion of mine. In 2013, I had the opportunity to take a leadership role, and I expanded this program into Chippewa County and ran it for several years. My time at CESA helped me to develop expertise in parenting, prenatal development, and child/teen development, which I am excited to bring to this work.

In my personal life, I'm a bit of a book worm and got my degree in English because of it. I also love thrift shopping. Goodwill is my favorite place, and I love to find a bargain! Another of my passions is fitness. I am a gym rat, and can be found there 6 days a week, sometimes twice a day. I love figuring out the science of food and how to use it to fuel your body. I competed in a Figure Body Building Competition a few years ago. It was one of the hardest and most gratifying things that I have done.

My husband and I have now been married for 28 years and have four adult kids, 3 boys and one girl. I have a son with a rare skin disorder called ichthyosis that has caused us to learn how to navigate the world of Children's Special Healthcare services to find support to empower him. He's in college and doing wonderfully today. Two of our children played college sports, one Football and another Track and Field at UMD. As a family, we enjoy fishing together, watching movies, and love being outdoors in the spring, summer, and fall (though I'm not a winter girl). In short, I am very blessed. Life may not have always been easy, but I am certain that past obstacles have led me right where I'm meant to be.

"Don't let your past define you. Let it shape you into the person you want to become."

## CCS Service Arrays

Individual Skill Development and Enhancement

Wellness and Recovery

Psychoeducation

## CLTS Service Arrays

Parent and Unpaid Caregiver Supports

Health and Wellness

## Counties Served

Serving clients in Chippewa, Rusk, Barron, Pepin, Buffalo, Pierce, Dunn, and Washburn.

## Speciality Areas

Health and Wellness

Parent Coaching (esp. Teenage Parents)

Licensed Teacher

Lived Experience

Outdoor Integration

Life Skills Instruction

