

**Michigan Disabilities Council
Action Topic**

**RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF DIRECT SUPPORT
WORKFORCE**

Update

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What are the specific issues the advocacy group is addressing?

Starting in October 2016, Direct Support Workers (DSW) were required to start submitting time sheets through Electronic Service Verification (ESV). Realizing that not all DSW's would have the ability to do such, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) will still accept the paper forms.

According to the MDHHS:

- Well over half of the DSW are enrolled in the ESV;
- With the new system, there will not be a scheduled day for payment;
- There is a chart that if you submit your ESV by _____ your payment will be sent by _____;
- Payments go out every Thursday rather than once or twice a month, and;
- There is a "myCareVist" app for smartphones to file your ESV.

Council Action Requested: None at this time.