



### **Meet Francheska Morales-Santiago!**

### **Wayne County Workforce Development Youth Program**

Francheska Morales-Santiago is a parenting youth that came to our office for assistance with finding employment. Francheska had the drive and determination to succeed, but lacked the direction and skills needed for a career.

After aWIA Youth Program interest assessment and career counseling it was determined that Frannie was interested in nursing and a good candidate for the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) training program. Under advisement of her counselor she completed the National Work Readiness Assessment and passed all four sections to obtain her Certification (NWRC).

With Wayne County Workforce youth program support, Frannie was provided with;

- transportation assistance for her classes (gas vouchers)
- A 5 hour driving training and her NYS Drivers License to help her become more employable.
- She was assisted with job searching and resume review

Francheska completed the Certified Nursing Assistant training and passed the NYS licensing exam. As a CNA she found unsubsidized employment at Newark-Wayne Community Hospital's Demay Living Center almost immediately after receiving her certification!

Frannie's bubbly, confident personality as well as her newly learned acquired skills and credentials have helped her achieve career and personal success. She enjoys her work immensely and is an asset to the Living Center and the elderly patients she assists there.