

When I started working with individuals diagnosed with autism, I never thought in a million years that I would get the opportunity to learn as much as I have.

I have learned so much from my clients as well as the families that I work with. I continue to learn new things every day. One of the most important lessons my experience has taught me is compassion. I learned the importance of this skill throughout my career and continue to try and develop the ability to constantly demonstrate this towards my clients as well as their families.

Secondly, I have learned to be compassionate towards myself as a professional. That it is ok to make mistakes and learn from them. That no one will ever be perfect and that is ok. What matters is that we are constantly trying to improve ourselves to be able to advocate for our clients as well as to teach them how to advocate for themselves.

I would like to say thank you to every client, every family, every support system that I have had the chance to work with. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be in your lives and be a part of your journey.

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