CSIU awarded \$1.2M L&I grant

MILTON — As part of a \$4.8 million Department of Labor and Industry (LI) grant, the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit (CSIU) Direct Care Workers Heroes Project has been awarded a \$1.2 million Direct Care Worker Training Grant (DCWTG).

The project recruits, trains, hires and retains valued employees who wish to enter and proceed along a nursing and healthcare career path.

"DCW Heroes will provide opportunities for individuals seeking training and employment in the direct care service and nursing career pathway," said Kerri Kubalak, CSIU **Direct Care Workers** Heroes Program manager. "It will provide

access to quality specialized training that will increase the skills that benefit the individuals they serve."

The grant will be used to increase and retain well-trained direct care workers, expand the labor pool and reach into underserved communities. It will facilitate 540 trainees in Bradford, Carbon, Centre. Clinton. Columbia.

Cumberland, Dauphin, Juniata, Lackawanna. Luzerne, Lycoming, Mifflin, Monroe, Montour, Northumberland, Perry, Pike, Schuylkill, Snyder, Sullivan. Susquehanna, Tioga, Union, Wayne and Wyoming counties. The DCWTG programs will operate through Sept. 30, 2022.