

## Rookie of the Year Nominee

Takeira Simon

Philadelphia Juvenile Justice Services Center

1 year of Service

Youth Detention counselor I

Ms. Takeira Simon is a Youth Detention Counselor I. She has been employed with the Juvenile Justice Services Center for approximately 1 year. She has already made her presence known on the unit she works. She is always professional, exhibiting the excellence any employer would welcome. She has a great rapport with the residents as well as her coworkers. She is always willing to help new hires who are assigned to work with her, despite this actually being a duty of a Youth Detention Counselor II. She is team oriented and always willing to pitch in to get the job done.

Ms. Simon has been assigned to work on unit HD, which house the 15years and younger females. This unit can be very volatile at time. While working this unit her partner, who is the senior staff on the unit, was injured and is going to be out for an extended amount of time. Ms. Simon stepped up into the lead role without hesitation. When she is at work I am assured that she has that unit secure and under control no matter who is assigned to work with her. She is committed to addressing the everyday needs of the residents and helping them gain the necessary tools to be more productive members of society. It is my honor and with great pride to nominate Ms. Takeira Simon.

Kimberly Broughton

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