

Tina Bellator (She/Her) Respite Care Provider | In-Person Services

ABOUT TINA

Tina is a dedicated caregiver who brings comfort, flexibility, and a sense of fun into respite care. She is passionate about supporting and uplifting children and believes every child deserves to feel loved, safe, and respected. Tina is known for meeting children exactly where they are and tailoring support to each child's strengths, needs, and personality.

EXPERIENCE & PURPOSE

Tina has experience working with diverse family backgrounds and has cared for and mentored children with unique behavioral and cognitive challenges. Her background includes work at Chileda, a residential school serving youth with developmental disabilities such as autism and ADHD, as well as a long career in pediatric nursing and home health. Her approach is grounded in patience, calm support, and a deep commitment to helping children grow into the best versions of themselves.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Tina's caregiving journey spans more than three decades, beginning with babysitting at age 10 and continuing through group home work after high school, nursing school at Western Tech, and a long nursing career. She began in the pediatric unit at Mayo Clinic in La Crosse, Wisconsin (known as Franciscan Skemp at the time), and gained experience across pediatric, medical, surgical, and maternity units. She later worked at Chileda and most recently in private home health, building a wide range of skills supporting children and families in both structured and in-home settings.

PERSONAL APPROACH

Tina blends extensive professional experience with a compassionate, calm, and patient style. She focuses on building trust, creating a safe environment, and supporting children through consistency, encouragement, and respectful care. Families value her dependability and flexibility, and she works hard to ensure caregivers feel confident and supported.

PERSONAL LIFE & INTERESTS

Tina describes herself as spiritual and deeply connected to nature. She loves animals and enjoys living life to the fullest. She thrives on creativity and variety and enjoys music, art, outdoor adventures, traveling, and especially activities involving water.