



MDT AWARD

Motivated. Dedicated. Tenacious.

QUARTERLY WINNER - YATES COUNTY

AMANDA PENNER

Penner, who grew up in Stanley, has been a caseworker with Yates County Child Protective Services for about five years. She holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Keuka College.

Q: What's your favorite part of your job?

A: Making a difference.

Q: What do you do in your spare time?

A: Spend time with family, friends and my fur children.

Q: What career highlight are you most proud of?

A: Taking part in getting justice for a child who had been sex trafficked by family members.

Q: Since we work in the child abuse prevention field, what's one piece of advice you would give to parents to help protect their kids?

A: Be aware that it is the people you would least expect to hurt a child.

'Over the 5 years that Amanda has worked with the department, she continues to be passionate about the work of the MDT team and puts forth full effort in helping the families she works with.'
- Debra Bailey
Casework Supervisor
Yates County DSS