

## **BHA Spotlight - Doreen Phillips**

Kodiak Area Native Association nominated Doreen Phillips for the BHA Shining Star award in December 2021. They wrote “Doreen is a making an impact on the community of Akhiok. She is emerging as a leader in our BHA group and assists newer BHAs in their professional development as well as our departmental processes.



Doreen has fearlessly taken on client care; she carries a caseload and also has been instrumental in starting and maintaining our village substance use disorder treatment group. Doreen has worked diligently for her certification and this year attained her BHA-III status. Her goals go beyond that, however. She is currently enrolled in her Bachelor of Social Work program and intends to see her education through. Doreen is a source of support and a good example to her peers and community. When she needs help, she asks for it. If she's stressed out, she seeks support. If she needs to take a break, she takes a break. I believe that these are indicators of an excellent worker and emerging role model - someone who does not pretend to have everything figured out but is open about what she needs.”