

IRIS Consultant Biography

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Work History (starting with most recent)

Name of Agency	Date of Employment	Job Title
TMG	11/26/18	IRIS Consultant

Care Responsibilities

Your TMG IRIS consultant is your partner as you create a plan that meets your needs and stays within your IRIS budget. Your TMG IRIS consultant can connect you to resources in your area, and will be a great source of information for any questions you have about the IRIS program. In a self-directed program like IRIS, you decide who provides your support and services and when they happen. You may have natural support from people in your life, or you may choose to purchase the support you need from an agency or someone that you hire directly. Your TMG IRIS consultant will be there to talk through these decisions with you, and will help you put a plan in place that reflects your choices.

Educational Background

Name of Institution	Major/Degree	Degree Obtained	Date Obtained
Marian University of Fond Du Lac	Psychology	Yes	5/2007
Marian University of Fond Du Lac	History	Yes	5/2007

Credentials

Name of Certification / Accreditation	Certifying Agency	Date Certification was Obtained
License Professional Counseling	Wisconsin Department of Safety & Professional Services	2/2015

Specialties (e.g., working with autism, the elderly, employment for people with disabilities or youth in transition, mental health, experience with assisted technology)

Prior to joining TMG, I have had extensive experience working with people who have developmental delays and cognitive disorders. I have also assisted in job coaching and work development. I have taught classes on positive coping skills, anxiety, depression, and diversity.

County/Region I'm familiar with

Milwaukee

Languages or Communication Skills

English

I'm comfortable with pets in the home

Yes

More about me

How do you Partner with people to 'clear the path ahead'?

I am an open-minded person and use a nonjudgemental, individual approach when partnering with people. I love to hear about my participants' lives and what matters the most to them. I truly value the time we spend together, helping you live as full and independent lives as you wish.

What's your favorite thing about being an IRIS consultant?

I value the time I spend with each of my participants learning not only about their services needs but about their lives and what is important to them. I enjoy being able to assist in helping guide people to community supports and ensuring they can continue to live as independently as possible.

What past experience prepared you to become an IRIS Consultant?

I started my career interning at Adult Family family homes in the Fox Valley area. After graduating with my Bachelors of Science degree (BS) in Psychology, I moved back to Milwaukee to pursue a Masters degree (MA) in Clinical Psychology and my license in professional counseling (LPC). After graduating with my MA, I worked as a group therapist with at-risk youth and received by LPC. I have also worked in Transitional Age Day programming teaching, where I've taught life skills, computers/adaptive tech, and workplace readiness. My prior position was as a Family Care program case manager, where I connected my members to resources to keep them safe in their homes.

What do you enjoy doing in your free time?

In my free time, I enjoy reading a variety of books - particularly science fiction and historical based novels. I am a crafter and enjoy completing complex coloring pictures. I have a pet rabbit and two large fish that I care for. On occasion, I am known to work on 1000-2000 piece puzzles.

