

IRIS Consultant Biography

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Work History (starting with most recent)

Name of Agency	Date of Employment	Job Title
TMG	9.10.18	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
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Credentials

Name of Certification / Accreditation	Certifying Agency	Date Certification was Obtained
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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 was an Income Maintenance Specialist and Hmong Interpreter at the Wisconsin Department Health & Human Services, as well as a Quality Assurance Analyst at ResCare Workforce Services. I also ministered to women at my local church by providing them with advice and encouragement. I also volunteer to watch and teach children ministries for kids ages 0-12. I have been volunteering for the women and children at my local church since 2009. Currently, I have acted as church treasurer since 2016.

County/Region I'm familiar with

Milwaukee

Languages or Communication Skills

English; Hmong

I'm comfortable with pets in the home

Yes

More about me

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

I volunteer in the Hmong community to educate this population about public benefits available to them and their family. I also volunteer at churches by serving at events and fundraisers.

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

My favorite part about being a TMG IRIS Consultant is meeting new people and learning from them. I enjoy working with a diverse background because I believe it helps me grow as an individual, in love and in knowledge.

What past experience prepared you to become an IRIS Consultant?

I was an Income Maintenance Specialist and Hmong Interpreter at the Department of Health & Human Services from 2012-2015. As an Income Maintenance Specialist, I became very knowledgeable of the public benefits available to a large range of demographics. I was a Quality Assurance Analyst at ResCare Workforce from 2015-2018. As a Quality Assurance Analyst, I grew my skills in analyzing and detailing; especially with making sure that we provided participants with the most help possible, regardless of their history. I am currently the treasurer for my church, and have been since 2016. Since I was recently re-elected to the treasurer position, I feel this proves that I have committed to my work and that I have integrity. My church trusts me.

What do you enjoy doing in your free time?

I most enjoy spending my free time with my husband and children. I believe that time is the most valuable gift anyone can give. Mostly, we watch movies, play at the local parks, and read together. I also serve my church and the Hmong community, and will assist them with any need.



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