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Employment & Day Coordinator, Middle

My career with the State of Tennessee began almost 30 years ago. For the past two years, I have been the Employment and Day Services Coordinator with the Middle Tennessee Regional Office.

I currently provide technical assistance to Community Providers and ISC Agencies such as answering questions, concerns, or assisting with challenges that arise. I am involved with the Employment First State Leadership Mentoring Program and currently assist Community Provider Agencies with completing their Letter of Agreements and the application to become Employment Networks.

Developing a close relationship with the agencies has allowed me to be a valuable resource for the Department and agencies. I also work very closely with the Division of Rehabilitation Services - Vocational Rehabilitation Centers of Middle Tennessee in order to assist individuals with disabilities in obtaining employment.

I have also learned about Customized Employment and Discovery which assists individuals to obtain employment in integrated environments utilizing the approach. I pride myself in being a dedicated employee and enjoy working with the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

