

# Transition Manager Choice List Region 4



#### James Auw 208-938-1760

#### Trinity Home Care and Resource, Inc.

James began working as a Personal Care Assistant in the summer of 2007 after he graduated from college. He quickly realized that he had found his calling working to help people, and that he had found the field in which to do it. James has worked in and out of a facility setting providing, managing, and establishing care. He now dedicates his time to helping people achieve and maintain their independence in the setting of their choosing. As a proud Certified Nurse's Assistant and a firm believer in the philosophy that compassionate care and services are the only way to go, James is willing to step up and help with your needs.

#### **Chris Johnson** 208-459-4425

#### **Human Service Alliance**

Chris has been providing case management services to adults and children residing in community for over 30 years. She has experience with transitions of individuals from the institutions to community housing as well as on-going monitoring of services to maintain community placement. Emphasis on developing roles for the individual to maintain an active, rewarding lifestyle.

#### Vanessa Johnson 208-608-0237

#### Access Behavioral Health

Vanessa graduated from BSU in 2006 with a B.S. in Psychology and a minor in addiction studies. Once she graduated she immediately started working in the community with individuals whom have a variety of disabilities. During the last five a half years, she has worked as a psychosocial rehabilitation specialist, a targeted service coordinator, and a supervisor to over 20 staff at one time. In 2008, in addition to her roles, she started as a Discharge Liaison to Idaho's region 4 from various institutions. Vanessa has successfully assisted over 300 individuals into least restrictive environments. She enjoys being a part of the life change individuals go through when they learn how to take charge of their life and no longer have to simply survive. Her experience has taught her to understand the difficulties and fears associated with this change. Vanessa looks forward to providing direction and support to anyone who has a desire to decide choice.

#### **Leanne Swetland** 208-989-8632

#### **WITCO**

It has been Leanne's pleasure to have worked in many capacities over the last 34 years helping individuals realize their goals and dreams.

# **Tabitha Jolley** 208-841-7489

## MultiCare Home Health & Personal Care Services, Inc

Tabitha has a bachelor's in communication from BSU with a minor in mediation and is a certified mediator and grant writer/manager. She has been a transition manager for 1.5 years. She has been a provider agency for the State for 15 years and has a good knowledge of how difficult programs and paperwork can be on an individual needing assistance. She has a strong philosophy that you need to work hard but always have fun doing so. Tabitha knows this is a scary yet exciting time but together you can make it happen.

#### Linda Anderson 208-991-5619

### SW Area Agency on Aging

Linda Anderson is a case manager/options counselor for the Southwest Area Agency on Aging. During her time at the Area Agency on Aging, Linda has assisted seniors and people with disabilities remain in their homes, enabling them to be as independent as possible. Her goal is to equip clients with the tools they need to be successful. As an advocate, Linda is dedicated to respecting each person's personal choice. Her previous experience has included discharge planning, Psychosocial Rehabilitation, and Independent living training.

#### Marni A. E. Flores 208-703-3215

#### Access Behavioral Health

Marni has 21 rewarding years working with people with a wide range of abilities. She says it has been a great pleasure to be able to support them as they reach their goals and far beyond.

#### Tara Landis 208-608-1824

#### **Unity Service Coordination**

Tara graduated from Northwest Nazarene University in 1999 with a bachelor of Arts degree in social work. She has worked in foster care and adoption, residential rehabilitation, developmental disability agencies, children and adults with mental illness, and is currently a Targeted Service Coordinator and works with adults and developmental disabilities. Tara as experience in dual diagnosis and is knowledgeable in A7D and DD waiver services.

# Samantha Johnson, LPN 208-440-6458

#### **Best Home Care**

Samantha is a graduate from Boise State and a mother of three children with disabilities. She has been working with the elderly and disabled community for over 20 years; 10 of those have been as an LPN. She has worked in a variety of settings from nursing facilities, home health, hospice, and physicians' offices. Samantha has worked with many Medicaid programs over the years assisting individuals in getting the services they need. She also has experience working with individuals with developmental disabilities and mental illness. She is committed to helping people find the supports they need to live successfully in their own homes and community. Samantha is a firm believer in quality of life being very important to a person's overall health and well-being. She is compassionate and dedicated to the Idaho Home Choice program.

# **Janae Wheatley** 208-422-1731

## The Arc, Inc.

Janae graduated from Northwest Nazarene University in 2012 with a Bachelor's degree in Social Work. Working with adults who have developmental disabilities was new to her a year and a half ago, but quickly she realized this population is her passion. At this point in time she works as a Vocational Specialist teaching people with developmental disabilities the skills they need to be successful in the workplace.

# **Tiffany Leslie, LMSW** *208-422-1731*

## The Arc, Inc.

Tiffani Leslie, LMSW is the Supervisor of Developmental Services at The Arc, Inc. She has been an active advocate for people with disabilities for over 11 years. As a medical social worker, she has worked with clients and their families in both acute and long term care settings. She has transition case management experience and is very knowledgeable about community resources in the Treasure Valley. Tiffani looks forward to being a supportive ally for individuals who are working towards reaching their goals.

## Amber Mausling 208-336-3335 ext 14

#### LINC

Amber Mausling is the Coordinating Advocate at Living Independence Network Corporation (LINC). During her tenure with LINC, Amber has assisted people with disabilities and seniors to transition from institutions back in to the community successfully. Amber is committed to advocating for personal choice and the full inclusion of all people and believes that given the right tools, anyone can achieve and maintain their desired level of independence