

IRIS CONSULTANT BIOGRAPHY

Consultant Name: Irina P Arndt



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Work History (starting with most recent)

Name of Agency	Date of Employment	Job Title
TMG	2010-2016	IRIS Consultant

Care Responsibilities

Work closely with frail elders and people with disabilities.

Foster and encourage participants' engagement in setting, defining, and achieving their goals.

Effectively translate the participants' dreams and wishes into a plan of supports and services to meet their needs.

Educational Background

Name of Institution	Major/Degree	Degree Obtained	Date Obtained
Tashkent State University, Republic of Uzbekistan	Linguistics, Foreign Literature	Yes	6/1980

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)

Working closely with frail elders and people with disabilities as well as their families, guardians, and caregivers.

Interpreting for doctors and patients in all clinical settings, translating medical documentation, sight-translating medical consents, legal forms, etc.

Training and coaching new immigrants in job search and placement.

Educating Russian community in Domestic Violence, facilitating seminars and giving talks in Domestic Violence and Spouse Abuse.

Participating in a 2-year World Health Organization Project to help Uzbekistan gain access to developments in the public health sphere in other countries and restructure the health system in line with the international practice. Interpreting for UN programs and international organizations (UNFPA, UNESCO, UNICEF, IPPF, EPOS/GTZ, AVSC International) involved in presenting world experience in various medical areas.



County/Region I'm familiar withMilwaukee, Waukesha, Ozaukee

Languages or Communication SkillsFluent in Russian

I'm comfortable with pets in the homeYes

More about me

I served as an IRIS Consultant for over 6 years at TMG before joining Connections. My passion is partnering with IRIS Participants and enabling them to be independent, safe and happy.

"My word is my bond" has been my guiding principle in my relationships with the Participants. I also try to be as open and responsive to the Participants' needs as possible.

I have had a lot of formal and on-the-job training over the course of my professional life which includes but is not limited to:

Mental Health Interpreting Workshop at Alverno Interpreter Institute

Open World Program Certificates with the Friendship Force of Greater Milwaukee, WI

Wisconsin Court Interpreter Program (CIP)

Medical Terminology Course at MATC

Certificate of the National Family Planning Board of Indonesia for participating in the International Training Program's Observation-Study Tour, Jakarta, Indonesia

Various courses and trainings within the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Extra-mural course of training in Italian Ministry of Education of the Russian Federation

Certificate in Italian

I believe that my past experiences helped me become an IRIS Consultant. I saw people in "for better or worse" situations. I dealt with people in pain and distress but I witnessed very happy moments in their life too. I learned to feel other people's pain and I learned to feel happy for other people too.

I love to spend time with my 3 sons. In my free time I read, swim and jog, paint and repurpose furniture.
