

Conference Day 2—Thursday July 26			
7:00 - 8:00 am	Breakfast (Hotel/Overnight guest only)		
BREAKOUT SESSIONS	Policy and Advocacy	Effective Practices	Specialized Training
Room	Salon A/B	Salon C	Salon D
Session 4 8:15 – 9:15am	<b>MO ABLE: A New Way to Save</b> <i>With the launch of the MO ABLE, Missourians with disabilities now have tax-free savings plan for disability-related expenses so that they can save and invest without losing federal needs-based benefits. Come learn more about how to open an account and how to save!</i> <b>Andrew Dziedzic</b>	<b>Fireside chat with business developers: Breaking down barriers</b> <i>During this breakout you will have the opportunity to ask questions, seek advice, from three experienced business developers from various parts of the state. Open discussion format designed to collaborate with people across the state to help equip you with knowledge, support and contacts.</i> <b>McQuire, Dorrel &amp; Coleman</b>	<b>Identifying styles and developing task analysis</b> <i>This session will focus on finding the best learning method through discussion for the individual being supported. Resulting in developing an effective task analysis. Not only will this session involve demonstration, it will also require individual/group work and participation.</i> <b>Nick Holz &amp; Jessi Keenoy</b>
Session 5 9:30 – 10:30 am	<b>Employment Discussion: Food for thought around current practices</b> <i>A discussion on some of the latest trends in employment statistics and why employing people is good for all of us. This session will include participation from audience members with clickers, discussion, and listening to short presentations. Topics will include Economic Multipliers, Mythbusting, and other Hot Topics!</i> <b>Ryan Gee</b>	<b>Consumer's perspective: Accessing Medicaid Waiver Employment Services</b> <i>In this session you will hear about the experiences of two job seekers and their journey to successful employment. You will learn how these two job seekers used DMH pre-vocational services to change the trajectory of their lives.</i> <b>Jessica Mahon &amp; Judy Grainger</b>	<b>Implementing and Sustaining a Successful Individual Placement and Supports (IPS)</b> <i>During this session, we will cover the stages of implementation: Pre, Early, and Mid-Implementation. Discussion of each stage of implementation and what is needed for each stage, agency's readiness to implement and how to sustain an IPS program long term.</i> <b>Missy McGaw</b>
10:30 – 10:45am	Coffee Break		
10:45-12:00pm	<b>Jenny Stonemeier, Keynote</b> <b>National APSE Executive Director</b>		

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## 2018 Conference Program

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Missouri APSE Mission

*To advance employment equity for people with disabilities.*

Missouri APSE Vision

*All people with disabilities have competitive employment in an inclusive workforce*



**Candy Whirley**

**Buckle up...Your adventure is about to begin!**

Candy is truly known for her contagious sense of humor and you will see that during her keynote address. Be ready to laugh, learn and leave with an enlightened understanding of your challenges and a new set of tools to conquer those challenges!

Directly following her opening address, Candy will continue to share tips for improving communication during her breakout session!



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**Tuesday July 24 Pre-Conference Activities — Separate registration required**

<p><b>#1</b></p> <p>Tuesday July 24, 2018</p> <p>Registration begins at 9:00am Program: 9:30am—5:00pm Room: <b>University</b></p>	<p><b>Employment University (EU)</b></p> <p>Employment University (EU) is a pre-conference event and offers a strand of courses to those relatively new to fully inclusive employment. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about best practices. EU sessions will start with the Foundations to Employment/ Customized Discovery &amp; Exploration and continue all the way through supporting people on the job. Participants will also receive an Employment University manual and certificate of completion. This training meets a portion of the Department of Mental Health / DD and Missouri Vocational Rehabilitation employment training requirement for staff providing employment supports. (Lunch and materials provided)</p>
<p><b>#2</b></p> <p>Tuesday July 24, 2018</p> <p>Registration begins at 9:30 pm Program: 10:00pm—4:30pm Room: <b>Salon A/B</b></p>	<p><b>Leadership Workshop</b></p> <p><b>Organizational Transformation and Me with Rick McAllister</b></p> <p>Our organizations are going through transformation, so, what does that mean for me? This session will explore the individual and professional considerations that are affected by organizational change. Discussion will focus on strategies to understand, manage and contribute to the organizational change. This interactive session will challenge you to think through the implications of personal leadership, the process of change, environmental assessment and the concept of “Adaptive Capability” in both large and small group discussions. (Lunch and materials provided)</p>

**National Subject Matter Experts**



**Jenny Stonemeier, Executive Director National APSE**

Jenny has spent her career working alongside and on behalf of people with disabilities, their families, and communities. After 12 years as a music therapist, and increasing frustrations with systemic barriers to inclusion that her clients faced, she received a Master Degree in Child and Family Law from Loyola University Chicago—School of Law and found her professional home in the advocacy world. Jenny has worked as a private advocate for families, a Project Director at the Wisconsin Parent Training and Information Center, and Director of Education Policy at TASH and the SWIFT Center. In 2016, Jenny’s policy work with the SWIFT Center was honored by the Zero Project—an International NGO monitoring the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Jenny brings her skills as a writer, speaker, facilitator, trainer, and leader to her role at APSE. Jenny is also the mom of 2 school-aged kids, her 16-year-old son is on the Autism Spectrum.



**Rick McAllister, Managing Partner/EVP of Management Analytics Resource Collaborative, LLC**

Rick McAllister, M.Ed., has over 30 years of experience in consulting, training and the day-to-day managing of service-based organizations. He is a nationally recognized speaker on employment strategies, leadership, management, and designing creative and effective organizational structures. He has extensive experience providing technical assistance to private, federal, and state sponsored employment initiatives. Rick has a bachelor’s degree in business administration and a master’s degree in applied behavioral analysis. He is the Managing Partner/EVP of Management Analytics Resource Collaborative, LLC, a consulting group based in New Hampshire.

**Conference Day 1—Wednesday July 25**

8:00 - 9:00 am	<p><b>Registration opens</b></p> <p><b>Exhibitor Hall (University and Show Me rooms) OPEN ALL DAY!</b></p>		
9:00 - 10:15 am	<p><b>A positive attitude is a powerful force - Opening Keynote with Candy Whirley</b></p>		
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<b>Session 1</b> 10:30-11:45 am	<p><b>Bridging the Gap</b> <i>Buckle up.....your adventure is about to begin with Candy Whirley. In this session learn how to manage and work with the different genders and generations</i> <b>Candy Whirley</b></p>	<p><b>Effective Employer Engagement Part 1</b> <i>This session focuses on an approach to employment development that places emphasis on relationship building and customized employment. The presentation will demonstrate tactics, approaches and strategies.</i> <b>Rick McAllister</b></p>	<p><b>Strategies for addressing mental health related behaviors</b> <i>This presentation will look at mental health related behaviors and discuss strategies that may be used to address such behaviors. This session provides an overview of issues that are common with the Veteran population such as TBI and PTSD.</i> <b>Danielle Easter</b></p>
12:15—1:15 pm	<p><b>Membership lunch</b></p> <p>All conference attendees are invited to this membership lunch and award ceremony. A brief presentation from the APSE Board will include membership news and future training opportunities.</p>		
<b>Session2</b> 1:30 – 2:45 pm	<p><b>Parent’s perspective: Autism—An open ended story</b> <i>This session will take you through the long process from the Diagnosis, to school, to “OH NO, they graduated, Now What? A unique perspective of a parent/business owner and the efforts to employ people with disabilities. The Team Effort, The Easy, The Struggles &amp; The Successes!</i> <b>Kim Thompson</b></p>	<p><b>Effective Employer Engagement Part 2</b> <b>Job match and making the proposal</b> <i>This session focuses on an approach to employment development that places emphasis on relationship building and customized employment. The presentation will demonstrate tactics, approaches and strategies.</i> <b>Rick McAllister</b></p>	<p><b>Ethical Considerations when providing services to marginalized populations</b> <i>In the daily work of providing services, we often aren’t aware how our personal values impact the way we provide services and make decisions. This session will provide the opportunity to consider how our personal values affect our interactions with diverse clients, and ethical dilemmas that occur.</i> <b>Beth Hager-Harrison-Prado</b></p>
2:45 – 3:15pm	<p><b>Break—Visit our exhibitors and enjoy a snack (Show Me and University rooms)</b></p>		
<b>Session 3</b> 3:15 – 4:30 pm	<p><b>Support Coordinator perspective: Bridging the employment gap</b> <i>Build capacity for meaningful conversations and effective planning on the journey to employment. Planning must begin early, be intentional, and encompass experiences in all domains of life. This discussion will focus on the role of support coordination in conjunction with collaborating stakeholders to bridge the gap .</i> <b>Kim Buckman</b></p>	<p><b>One Person at a Time: Transformation from Sheltered Employment to Individualized Community Employment</b> <i>This session describes how the first sheltered workshop in the State completely transformed into an individualized community employment provider. You will learn how they made this transformation and some of the key things to consider she learned along the way.</i> <b>Kim Anderson</b></p>	<p><b>Assistive Technology 101</b> <i>What is assistive technology and where do I find it in Missouri? This session will cover the basics of assistive technology (AT) and the programs and services available to Missourians with disabilities through Missouri Assistive Technology. Question and answer along with hands-on with some devices available for participants.</i> <b>Brenda Whitlock</b></p>
7:00—10:00 pm <b>APSE MO Social</b>	<p>Prizes Cash Bar Light Appetizers</p> <p><i>This ain't your Grandma's BINGO!</i></p> 		