



# STAFF

## Spotlight



### Jessica Garber, Marketing Director

Jessica is responsible for the recruiting and hiring process for Connections Case Management. She assists with community outreach and public relations for the company. Jessica oversees Connections social media and is working on ways to engage our community through a variety of social media platforms. She provides case management for the Aged & Disabled, Traumatic Brain Injury, FSW, and CIH Waivers.

#### What led you to the social services field?

I had a cousin who suffered a traumatic brain injury as a teenager. I went to visit him in the hospital one time and saw him working with an Occupational Therapist. I wanted to do something like that, where I could help people. I ended up graduating from IU with a degree in therapeutic recreation. During my time in college, I got to work in group homes. After college, I was able to work in a variety of settings and with other populations. I have always enjoyed helping others.

#### What is a random fact about yourself?

I love anything to do with water. I love to swim, boat, and float! I love sitting by any body of water and enjoying the view and sounds.

#### What do you love most about your job?

I love working for Connections! It is the best team of individuals I have worked with in over 20 years of being in the field. I more recently took the Marketing Director position and I enjoy being able to meet each team member we hire, meeting individuals and their families out in the community to provide them with knowledge and resources and finding ways to show our staff how much we appreciate and value them. Most of all, I love to see successes of our individuals. Being able to be a cheer leader for others and seeing them achieve their hopes and dreams. Letting individuals know that they have a voice and ensure that others hear their voice.

#### Do you have any pets?

My husband and I love animals. We currently have 2 dogs, Mia (Golden Retriever) and Lincoln (Corgi) and a cat named Crosby.

#### What is a favorite pastime you enjoy?

I really enjoy traveling and gardening. I took a 2-week trip to Italy. I have been to Panama, Aruba, several parts of Mexico and the US. My dream is to visit every state and as many countries as I can to learn about other cultures and see some of the amazing wonders of the world. Most days through the summer you will find me tending flowers in my yard or floating on my boat with my husband, friends, and family.



~ Jessica