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Additional Biographies

Tracy Gruber, Director of the Office of Child Care and Senior Advisor for the Intergenerational Poverty Initiative, Utah Department of Workforce Services

Tracy Gruber is the Director of the Office of Child Care and Senior Advisor for the Intergenerational Poverty Initiative. Ms. Gruber's professional career has been focused on achieving positive results for vulnerable families. Prior to joining DWS, Ms. Gruber worked at Voices for Utah Children, as a Senior Policy Analyst and Director of State Fiscal Policy. In that capacity, she researched issues related to poverty, fiscal policy and strategies to reduce poverty including two-generation approaches for families in poverty. Her work experience also includes serving as a budget analyst in the Illinois Senate, overseeing a public employee, retiree organization and administering the Utah State Bar's New Lawyer Training Program. Ms. Gruber received her J.D. from the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago-Kent College of Law and her undergraduate degree is from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Joni Riley, Program Administrator of Operations, Oklahoma Child Care Services

Joni Riley has been the Program Administrator of Operations for Oklahoma Child Care Services since 2006. Ms. Riley oversees the OCCS budget and contracts, the Market Rate Survey, and rate proposals for subsidy payments to providers. Her career with the Oklahoma Department of Human Services began in 1994. Ms. Riley has held a financial position in the following OKDHS programs: Child Support Division, DHS Finance Budget Unit, and the Developmental Disabilities Division. She has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from University of Central Oklahoma.