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Related Services Director

I have been a member of TSHA since 1986. It was one of the best decisions I ever made as a speech-language pathologist. My trajectory in my career would have been dramatically different had I not made the decision so long ago to join this incredibly helpful organization.

TSHA is a mecca of professionalism and mentorship. The educational leadership I have obtained in my tenure as a member increased my skill set exponentially and allowed me to grow, not only as a professional, but as a person. TSHA gave me the insight, the skill, and the ability to present myself confidently and intelligently in most all clinical situations with their educational programs, convention line ups, access to incredibly astute clinicians willing to share their expertise with me, and those who willingly and wisely gave of their time to mentor me.

TSHA has given me opportunities to grow my leadership skills through volunteering. Each committee I have served on has provided unlimited possibilities for me to hone my ability to work as a team member, utilize my emotional intelligence to deal with all types of circumstances, people, and situations, and to give back to the profession that has given so much to me. From my very first mentor to now, TSHA has been a home for me as a professional, surrounded by those who give of themselves in a myriad of ways, from committee member to holding elected office. TSHA has instructed me on many things – most importantly – how to be an excellent provider of services to those with communication challenges.

As I progress in my career and my life, I am beyond grateful for an organization who has a mission of service and dedication to those with communication challenges. The TSHA mission statement of “empowering members to provide the highest quality, life-changing care for individuals with communication and related disorders” is paramount to my service to those who entrust me with their care, as well as my many colleagues and mentors who provide and/or seek guidance collaboratively on a daily basis to ensure the highest quality for those served.

My three decades as a volunteer on committees and the privilege I have been given to lead committees has led me to this place of extreme gratitude for all this organization has done for me, both personally and professionally. I do not take any of my experiences for granted. I now wish to provide the same mentoring and support to seasoned and new members alike in a new venture – Vice President of Professional Services. I have served in many leadership capacities in my career in a variety of different settings and in a plethora of roles, which will assist me with the duties of this office, which include the identification and promotion of issues related to the advancement of clinical practice, and the development and maintenance of member services, both areas of passion for me.