

Adult Life Programs is pleased to announce the selection of Karin McDaniel as Executive Director of the agency.

This is an exciting transition for the organization. Outgoing Executive Director Mark Bumgarner told board members and employees "I am excited to see where she [McDaniel] takes Adult Life Programs". McDaniel holds a B.S. in Psychology as well as a B.S. in Family and Child Development from Virginia Tech, and a M.S. in Strategic Leadership from Mountain State University. She brings a plethora of experience as the outgoing Adult Services Director of Enola Group, as well as a strong focus and understanding of quality and national accreditation.

McDaniel has led staff development and quality assurance initiatives for many other local and statewide organizations. Her knowledge of programming and community partners make her a natural fit for Adult Life Programs, as does her ten plus years of service as a board member to Adult Life Programs. ALP Board Chair Dr. Sue Friguglietti noted McDaniel's "passion and knowledge were impressive beyond compare" and the ALP board of directors felt it would be difficult to find any candidate as well suited for the position.

McDaniel, in thinking on the future of Adult Life Programs, expressed "I look forward to continuing a culture where we reference the people we serve without the use of labels, empower our direct support professionals to provide quality services, recognize the lived experiences of the people and families we serve, and engage our community partners to produce meaningful outcomes".

McDaniel's first day at Adult Life Programs will be April 19, 2021.