

Idaho Council on Developmental Disabilities hires Executive Director

The Idaho Council on Developmental Disabilities is pleased to announce that it has hired Christine Pisani to be its executive director. Christine began her new role on Oct. 7.

Pisani has served as a program specialist with the Council for 17 years. Through her work there, she said she has been afforded many fulfilling experiences with families and adults that have deeply enhanced her values, education, and sense of urgency to improve the service systems available at a state and national level. She values self-determination, interdependence, and meaningful community experiences for all people.



Pisani said she sees the Council as a vehicle to provide education, direction, and purpose to influence and change conditions. The Council has the ability to do this through shared leadership; the gifts and talents of a variety of people are combined and help drive positive systems change in Idaho.

She is a 2006 graduate of Idaho's Certified Public Manager program and holds a master's degree in Education in Special Education from University of Idaho. She moved to Boise when she was 4, attended St. Mary's elementary school, Bishop Kelly High School, and the University of Idaho. She is a proud Vandal! In her spare time she enjoys backpacking, camping, and snowshoeing in the wilderness of Idaho. She is the proud mother to 11 year-old fraternal twin daughters and has a rescue dog named Percy and a pair of clown fish named Leona and Marco.

The Council works to bring about social and policy changes that promote the capacity of Idahoans with developmental disabilities and their families to determine, access, and direct the services and supports they need to live the lives they choose, and to build the community's ability to support their choices. It serves as an advocate for anyone with developmental disabilities. Council activities include public policy research and analysis, reform, project demonstrations, leadership development, and training.