

## LESLIE THEDE PROGRAM SPECIALIST



Leslie's role with RCAW focuses on data collection, compiling, and analysis. She serves as the first point of contact for information and referrals and mantains the registry.

## PERSONAL PROFILE

Leslie's passion for people has led her to hold various roles in the service industry. In these roles, Leslie has worked with people across the lifespan. She has overseen teams of people and always prided herself on building relationships and improving communication. Whether she was responsible for regulatory compliance or person–centered care, improving the quality of life of others has always been at the utmost of importance. While leading Parkinson's Support groups, Leslie witnessed firsthand the burnout that primary caregivers experience. This experience has led her to be a fierce and tenacious advocate for those in need of respite care.

The role that made her fall in love with the service industry was that of a Life Enrichment Coordinator at a senior living facility. Most of her time growing up was spent in a SNF bonding with her grandmother with Alzheimer's Disease.

Leslie has two young children that are her pride and joy. As an advocate for mental health, she is avid about promoting the benifits of respite care. Leslie enjoys traveling, hiking, and practicing yoga.

## **KEY COMPETENCIES**

- Interpersonal Skills
- Conflict Management
- · Decision Making
- Project Leadership
- Building Relationships
- Developing Others



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