## Disability and Returning to the Workplace Teleconference - March 31<sup>st</sup> Presenters' Bios

## Jeff Woldanski

Jeff Woldanski, assistant vice president, assists employers and potential candidates with the job placement services provided by Allsup Employment Services Inc. (AESI). AESI is approved by the Social Security Administration (SSA) as an Employment Network. It provides hiring support to people with disabilities and works to match employers with potential candidates.

Jeff partners with disability communities and organizations to increase awareness and knowledge of the SSA's work incentives and the Ticket to Work program. He connects individuals with resources that can help them reenter the workforce and maintain employment.

He provides insights on employer incentives and the advantages of hiring people with disabilities; expertise with Ticket to Work, which facilitates employment opportunity for individuals with a proven work history; and ongoing support for both employers and new hires.

He has 15 years of management experience, and emphasizes AESI's value in the process of coordinating the employer-candidate hiring process geared to people with disabilities. Jeff earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri-Rolla.

## Tai Venuti

Tai Venuti has more than 20 years of health education, community and public relations experience in nonprofit, government and corporate arenas. As Allsup's manager of strategic alliances, she develops and grow relationships with organizations that share the company's commitment to empowering people with disabilities to live lives as financially secure and healthy as possible.

Venuti is a former journalist and public relations executive who puts those skills to work to promote partner organizations and increase awareness of issues that affect people with disabilities.

Venuti previously managed national public health campaigns for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. She is an experienced presenter and panelist. She holds a master's degree in public health from St. Louis University, a bachelor's degree in journalism from Michigan State University, and is accredited by the Public Relations Society of America.