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Brianne has more than 20 years of experience in vocational services on employment development for people with disabilities. Her in-depth knowledge of public policy with disabilities led to her appointment as the Americans with Disabilities Act Access Coordinator for the 2004 Democratic National Convention, the 2010 VSA International Arts and Disability Festival, and as Vice Chair of the WMATA Accessibility Advisory Council. Brianne is a member of the 2013 Class of the New Leaders Council's Washington DC Chapter.

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