

Technology Coordinator Candidate

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Region 8 is one of the largest regions geographically in NACADA and with that technology is vital to the success of the region. Sharing information, bringing people together through digital space, streamlining processes and collaborating with colleagues across the world has never been easier. As Technology Coordinator for the region, my top priority is to identify reliable and cost effective technologies designed specifically to enhance future collaboration, in addition to support the existing communication needs of the region.

The technology coordinator needs to be reasonably available, have extensive knowledge with regard to existing and new technologies, and be a creative problem solver. Technology no longer operates on independent systems working on only one platform. Modern technology is fused and requires that experience not be limited to simple presentation hardware and software. Technical understanding of multigenerational operating system platforms, such as Windows and Linux, advanced network configuration, transmission control protocols, and internet protocols are required in order to setup, maintain, and troubleshoot active networks at conferences and meetings. My experience and education in technology makes me a viable candidate for the position of technology coordinator. My experience started more than a decade ago when I worked for the Department of Defense, in the U.S. Air Force, as a client support administrator maintaining more than sixty personal work computers, in addition to monitoring and enforcing DoD-level internet and network security protocols. Furthering my education in the field of technology I completed a master's degree in Information Technology in 2014 from Western Oregon University. My activities within the region, as it relates to technology, include holding a position on the Technology Committee for the 2016, 2017, and 2018 Region 8 Conferences. Based on these skills, I believe I would be a valuable addition to the Region 8 Steering Committee and technology community.