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**Education:**

- M.A. in Occupational Therapy, University of North Dakota, May 2014

**Career History:**

I started at L.I.F.E. in January, 2019. Prior to joining the L.I.F.E. family, I worked in an outpatient pediatric clinic where I served clients both in the clinic and at their homes. I also worked in the public schools for a few years where I learned a great deal about the educational setting of OT and how to best support students within their academic setting. I primarily supported self-contained classrooms, specifically those for students with autism. Along with my passion of working in pediatrics, I also have worked for 5 years at an inpatient rehabilitation hospital supporting adults through rehabilitation after a major illness or injury and returning home.

**Personal:**

I grew up in a small town in Minnesota before moving to Arizona in 2014. I am married to my husband, Brian, and we have a daughter, Mackenzie, who will be 1 in June of 2019! Outside of occupational therapy, I enjoy hiking, paddle boarding at the lake, and going for walks with our dog, Patton.