

## **Bio of Scott Michael Robertson, PhD**

Dr. Scott Michael Robertson, an autistic adult, is a policy advisor on the Employment-Related Supports (ERS) Policy Team in the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP). Dr. Robertson spearheads ODEP's activities to enhance national autism policy, increase access to employment for autistic people, and support neurodiversity in the workplace. He serves as ERS's point subject matter expert for ODEP's \$2 million, two-year Apprenticeship Inclusion Models (AIM) initiative; this initiative seeks to strengthen career pathways in information technology, healthcare, and advanced manufacturing. Dr. Robertson also collaborates on ODEP's initiatives to support accessible workplace technology and autonomous vehicles to facilitate transportation to work.

Dr. Robertson previously served as a Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Public Policy Fellow for U.S. Senator Tom Harkin in the U.S. Senate Committee on Health Education, Labor, and Pensions. He has also served as the Founding Vice President of the Autistic Self Advocacy Network (ASAN), a 501(c)(3) national nonprofit organization, and a Public Member of the federal Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee. Dr. Robertson earned his PhD in information sciences and technology at Penn State University. He completed his master's degree in human-computer interaction at Carnegie Mellon University and his bachelor's degree in computer science at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.