## Outstanding Quality Tech Engineer—Jenny Duttle



Image of a woman wearing glasses and smiling

- Tucson native, Jenny Duttle got her job as a Quality Engineer II-Tech at Walmart when she just couldn't think about taking one more step or talking to one more person. She was at a conference to receive a Rising Star in Technology award and while there, brought some resumes and went to their career fair.
- She was diagnosed at age 30 with Asperger's and was maxed out on human interaction at the conference. But, not wanting to have any regrets, went back to the career fair and began talking to someone from Walmart. The next week she was flying to Arkansas for a job interview and hasn't looked back.
- Jenny earned her degree in Management Information Systems from the University of Arizona and is responsible for the quality of internal software applications at Walmart. Her attention to detail and expertise in finding inconsistencies ultimately result in ease of use for others and that gives her a great deal of satisfaction.
- There were a number of struggles for Jenny, but not being diagnosed until later, she didn't understand why she was having a hard time. Learning about Asperger's and what it entails explains so much. Now, according to Jenny, "Every time I tell anybody about my disability I feel more free to be exactly who I am, and it feels good to not be hiding after 30 years of it."
- Jenny is involved in InAble Associate Resource Group which advocates for inclusion of people with disabilities, fundraising for Children's Miracle Network Hospital, and The Heart Walk through work. She volunteers with Circle of Friends for Arkansas Children's Foundation and Mental Health Unity outside of work.