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Penny has over twenty-five years' experience in public procurement, both local and federal government, covering almost all aspects of procurement, including solicitations, purchasing, contract compliance and management, cost/price analysis, staff supervision and training, and expertise with ERP systems. She has been with the City of Knoxville for over 10 years and is currently an Assistant Purchasing Agent. She holds a bachelors' degree from the University of Phoenix and a Certified Public Procurement Officer certification from the UPPCC. Penny is a member of the East Tennessee Purchasing Association (ETPA), the Tennessee Association of Public Purchasing (TAPP), and NIGP. Penny serves as ETPA's co-webmaster and co-tradeshow chair, is TAPP's Past-President, is an NIGP Chapter Ambassador for Area 3, and is also on NIGP's Consulting team, managed by Periscope. She was awarded both the ETPA Buyer of the Year and ETPA Volunteer of the Year award in 2017.