

ASHI MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



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How long have you been an ASHI member?
22 years

What made you decide to work in HLA? Several years ago, when I moved from core lab to immunology/transplant lab, I felt nervous about stepping out of my comfort zone without knowing anything about HLA and transplant immunology. It was my director who trained me on HLA serology. I was able to grasp the concept easily because of the way I was taught. With the years passing and me learning different aspects of this subject, I decided to continue working in the HLA lab. Science of immunology in relation to transplantation and its importance kept me going in the right direction. Through the process, I worked with various directors from whom I gained a great deal of knowledge.

What do you find to be the most rewarding aspect of your work? My work at OPO lab for many years directly contributed to saving lives.

Tell us a fun fact about yourself: I like to go for long walks. I learned an Indian dance form called Kuchipudi when I was in school. After marriage, my last name changed to Kuchipudi though the last name is not related to the dance form.