

ASHI VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



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What committee(s) do you serve on?

Proficiency Testing (PT), Directors Affairs, Publications

How did you get started as a volunteer for ASHI?

Several years ago, I wanted to do more for the organization that has given me the opportunity to work in the field that I am passionate about. Sometimes, it has been a lot of work, but I have met great people and have learned a lot (and not

only about HLA and transplantation). Being an ASHI volunteer has enriched my career and me as a person.

How has volunteering for ASHI improved your professional development?

As a volunteer I have had the opportunity to interact with other members of the ASHI community. Everybody has a different story, a different perspective, and there are always interesting and new ideas to discuss. Being a volunteer has taught me to keep my mind open, to listen to others, to overcome my limitations, and has pushed forward my professional life.

What is your most memorable volunteer moment? Becoming Chair of the PT Committee has been my biggest volunteer commitment so far. I was a little overwhelmed (it was a great responsibility and with extra work). Thankfully, the PT committee team was very supportive, and helped me with all I needed. I want to give special thanks to Cheryl Hartman; she is always there to help and make things run so smoothly.

Why do you think it is important for others to volunteer with ASHI? It's an opportunity to learn from others, to network, to make your voice heard, to give back to your community...it's an awesome experience. I am always going to be an ASHI volunteer.