

ASHI VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



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What committee(s) do you serve on?

Technologists' Affairs, ACHI Exam Committee, Laboratory Professionals Recruitment and Retention Taskforce

How did you get started as a volunteer for ASHI?

I started volunteering with ASHI as a member of the Technologists' Affairs Committee after seeing the opportunity on the ASHI website. At the time, I was working in an HLA lab and wanted to contribute to the field while continuing my professional growth. Since then, I've joined the ACHI Exam Committee and now serve as Chair of the Laboratory Professionals Recruitment and Retention Taskforce.

How has volunteering for ASHI improved your professional development?

Volunteering with ASHI has enhanced my professional development by strengthening my leadership and collaboration skills. It has encouraged me to take a more active role in advocating for the HLA field in my local community and on a national level. Through these experiences, I've built valuable connections, including collaborations with organizations like ASCP and ASCLS, and feel more connected to the profession as a whole.

What is your most memorable volunteer moment? My most memorable volunteer moment was attending my first ASHI Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh, PA and getting to see so many fellow volunteers in person. After working together virtually on various committees, it was amazing to connect face-to-face, share ideas, and feel the energy and dedication of the HLA community. It reinforced the value of volunteer service and deepened my commitment to staying involved.

Why do you think it is important for others to volunteer with ASHI?

Volunteering with ASHI has been a meaningful way to stay engaged and give back to the HLA community.