



ASCLS is excited to introduce **ASCLS Voices Under 40**, recognizing our many, talented and committed young professionals under 40 years old. The ASCLS Voices Spotlight honors ASCLS members who have shown exceptional commitment to ASCLS, the laboratory profession, and their community at large at a young age in their professional career. This month we spotlight one of the 2016 ASCLS Shining Voices who was selected from nominations across the country.

Please take a moment to get to know our ASCLS Voices Under 40 Spotlight for the Month, Nicholas Moore from Chicago, Illinois!

Mr. Moore is currently employed at Rush University Medical Center. Mr. Moore has been selected based on his contributions in several areas, making a difference and leading the way. Nicholas's contributions to his profession have been many. He has participated at the Regional level as Chair of the New Professional Committee, First Year Professional Committee and as



Student Forum Chair. He has served in a variety of positions within his state organization including as Secretary, Board Member, Student Forum Chair and more significantly as President-Elect soon to be President. Mr. Moore has participated on National, Regional and State committees and task forces such as the Abstract Committee, Co-Editor of the state newsletter and Chair of the Professional Affairs and Public Relations Committee. He has presented or published over 25 articles or presentations contributing to the continuing education of his colleagues. He has promoted the profession to the public by participating in Lab Week activities and Lunch and Learn sessions at his university. We are proud to have such an involved member.

One of his nominators wrote: "I appreciate that Nick has maintained his involvement with ASCLS as he continues to make a difference in the field of microbiology. He has made outstanding professional contributions to the field of clinical laboratory science and microbiology at all levels – local, state, regional and national."

Another of his nominators wrote: "If you were to start Nick's career clock in 2009 when he joined the profession having completed the Master of Science in Clinical Laboratory Sciences program and became certified, the breadth and depth of his contributions in seven short years becomes even more impressive. Further, there is no evidence that Nick is ready to slow down and rest on his past accomplishments. He is slated to complete the requirements for the Ph.D. in Health Sciences in

August 2016 and has a rich future career continuing his study of CRE and other healthcare-associated infections. With his interest in the profession and drive to contribute to our scope of practice, Nick has lots of opportunities and will only be limited by time as to what he can contribute in the end.”

When asked about what his motivation for being actively involved in ASCLS is, Mr. Moore replied: “My motivation for continuing to be actively involved in ASCLS at all levels stems from the mission of the organization itself. I learned very early on, that you cannot expect others to fight for you. If you believe in a cause then you should be vocal and active about it. I view my activity within ASCLS as one of my professional purposes. I do this to ensure that the laboratory community is prepared to fulfill their mission. Our organization needs strong leaders to represent the profession not only within their hospitals or employment settings, but to other professional organizations, to the government, and to our communities. Only those with a vested interest in our profession can do these things, and we as laboratory professionals should be doing everything we can to continue to advocate on behalf of those whom we serve.”

Congratulations Mr. Nicholas Moore on your selection as an **ASCLS Voice Under 40**. You are a shining voice for ASCLS and for the Medical Laboratory profession.