



ASCLS is excited to introduce the ASCLS Voices Under 40, a monthly recognition of one of our many talented and committed young professionals under 40 years old. The ASCLS Voices Spotlight has been developed to honor ASCLS members who have shown exceptional commitment to ASCLS, the laboratory profession, and their community at large at a younger age in their professional career. Each month we spotlight one of the shining voices who were selected from many nominations across the country.

Please meet Kyle McCafferty, MLS(ASCP), from Troy, Michigan.

Kyle is an IRL technologist for the American Red Cross in Detroit. His duties include resolving compatibility problems, performing automated and manual test procedures on blood samples, and providing complex reference and consultation services to hospitals and transfusion services.

Kyle is very active in ASCLS, acting as the current president of ASCLS-MI and serving as mobile app coordinator for Michigan's Conference Planning Committee. In the past he has served as District III director and on the Fiscal Responsibility and Risk Management Task Forces.



His motivation for being active in ASCLS has progressed along with his career from developing professional through ascending professional to current professional status. Initially, he wanted to find a way to contribute to the Society and the profession. Later, he wanted to develop his leadership skills and participated in the ASCLS Leadership Academy. He now finds motivation in being a mentor for students and other early professionals.

Kyle feels his best accomplishment in ASCLS was building an interactive mobile app for the ASCLS-MI Conference Planning Committee using the EventsXD platform. He considers this his best accomplishment because it gave members an easy way to connect with other attendees. However, his proudest achievement outside of ASCLS is becoming a father and making his son a priority in his life.

Kyle shares his voice by participating in the ASCLS Legislative Symposium and speaking with Michigan representatives. He also has given presentations at the Michigan Association of Blood Banks Annual Meeting in 2022 on Anti-D as well as a presentation regarding COVID-19 on the ASCLS Off the Bench podcast in 2021.

Kyle's nominator had this to say: "Kyle McCafferty deserved the spotlight award because he is a young professional with so much enthusiasm for this profession and for ASCLS. He works hard to get others involved, including myself. He's

dependable, kind, a great listener, and is well respected by those who know him. He is continuously advocating for this profession and the important work that we do. He aspires to greatness and leads others around him to do the same.”

Congratulations to Kyle for this much deserved recognition!