Upcoming Events

June CE Event

When: June 16, 2025 at 6:00pm

Where:
Ponce City Market
Roebuck Room at
RFD Social

Topic: Optimizing Care & Access in Transthyretin Amyloid Cardiomyopathy

This event is open to all pharmacists. Free opportunity to network and earn 1 hour of live CE!

Register | Optimizing
Care and Access in
Transthyretin Amyloid
Cardiomyopathy:
Managed Care
Considerations for an
Evolving Therapeutic
Landscape

AMCP Georgia

Quarter 2 Newsletter

Welcome to the first copy of the AMCP Georgia quarterly newsletter! Last quarter, several of our members attended the AMCP conference in Houston, where they engaged in thought-provoking sessions on managed care innovation, value-based care, and emerging trends in pharmacy practice. The conference provided valuable opportunities for networking, professional development, and staying at the forefront of healthcare transformation.

At the AMCP Georgia Affiliate meeting, we introduced the newly elected board members, who are featured in this newsletter. We also gathered input on future events, with members expressing interest in additional CE opportunities, networking events, and community service events. We are always open to new ideas and collaborators – feel free to share your feedback or suggestions, with any board member!



2025-2026 AMCP Georgia Board Members:

President: Alex Juggassar, PharmD

Pharmacy School: Mercer University College of Pharmacy

Current Role: Pharmacy Account Director at Carelon

E-mail: alex.juggassar@carelon.com

Fun Fact: I started working in a pharmacy at the age of 16 and still enjoy it! I enjoy going to Carnival in Trinidad.



President-Elect: Shivani J. Patel, PharmD, BCPS
Pharmacy School: Mercer University College of Pharmacy
Current Role: Manager Clinical Pharmacy Operations at
Carelon

E-mail: shivani.patel@carelon.com

Fun Fact: I teach yoga on the weekends and met Beyonce and JayZ in Capri!



Immediate Past President: Shobhna Butler, PharmD

Pharmacy School: Mercer University College of Pharmacy

Current Role: Southeast Region Diplomat Director

E-mail: sdbutler@b-wellness.com

Fun Fact: I enjoy reading self-help books, learning to sew (better), cooking, and socializing with spicy appetizers and close friends. My biggest joys are hanging out with her 3 S's - her two daughters, Sejal, and Serena, along with her Bishon Poo puppy, Sunshine Rainbow.



Treasurer: Matt Nguyen, PharmD

Pharmacy School: Mercer University College of Pharmacy

Current Role: Medical Outcome Science Liaison at AbbVie

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Fun Fact: I am entering my 16th year with Academy and 7th year as a board member for AMCP Georgia. I look forward to catching up with the AMCP family at every conference, and I love to

update my friends on my pet goldfish named Homer.



Secretary: Wen Lui, PharmD

Pharmacy School: University of Georgia

Current Role: Account Manager at Novo Nordisk

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Fun Fact: I love collecting Funko Pop Figurines, and my biggest collection is Wonder Woman

(over 80 versions)



Communications Chair: Shivani R. Patel, PharmD, MBA, BCPS

Pharmacy School: Mercer University College of Pharmacy **Current Role:** Manager of Pharmacy Operations at HCSC

E-mail: Shivani patel@hcsc.com

Fun Fact: I'm a vegetarian and I like to try different restaurants around Atlanta with veggie

friendly options.



Communication Chair: Rivers L. Carroll, PharmD

Pharmacy School: Xavier University of Louisiana **Current Role:** Clinical Pharmacist Prior Authorization

E-mail: rcarrol@fluitllc.com

Fun Fact: I love the Phantom of the Opera, and I take piano lessons



Membership Engagement Chair: Shanice Waller, PharmD

Pharmacy School: Florida A&M College of Pharmacy

Current Role: Pharmacist Consultant **E-mail:** waller.shanice@gmail.com

Fun Fact: I once co-hosted a wellness podcast that centered conversations around Black

women, beauty standards, and the concept of pretty privilege.



Student Affairs Chair: Varun Dalwaldi, PharmD

Pharmacy School: Sullivan University **Current Role:** Pharmacist Consultant **E-mail:** vhudson02@gmail.com

Fun Fact: I enjoy spending my time outdoors, hiking, and being adventurous with nature.

I also enjoy watching all the sports, especially football and basketball.



Student Affairs Chair: Amanda Roberts, PharmD

Pharmacy School: Florida A&M College Pharmacy

Current Role: Managed Care Pharmacist **E-mail:** <u>amandaroberts1@gmail.com</u>

Fun Fact: I love to workout OrangeTheroy, spend time with family, and do service – based

projects



Student Affairs Chair: Leva Jaberizadeh, PharmD

Pharmacy School: Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Science

Current Role: Clinical Pharmacy Program Director at Carelon

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Fun Fact: I love traveling and have visited over 30 countries.



Membership Engagement Chair: Joseph Cooley, PharmD

Pharmacy School: PCOM-GA

Current Role: Medicaid PDL and Rebate Strategy Manager

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Fun Fact: I have worked across multiple healthcare sectors including Medication Therapy Management (MTM), charity mail-order pharmacy services at Good Pill Pharmacy, and

pharmacy benefit management (PBM) leadership at ProCareRx.



Membership Engagement Chair: Victor Hudson, PharmD

Pharmacy School: Mercer University College of Pharmacy

Current Role: Pharmacist at Walgreen's

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Fun Fact: I was a professional lifeguard for 7 years. Outside of pharmacy, I enjoy spending

time with my wife, physical fitness, and eating good food.

Fundraising Chair: Jerel Applewhite, PharmD



Pharmacy School: Mercer College of Pharmacy **Current Role:** Pharmacist Consultant at Carelon

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Fun Fact: 2nd generation pharmacist looking to transition into industry, namely market access or HEOR. I joined AMCP to make true connections, give and get support along career

journey, and feed my intellectual curiosity.

Upcoming Regional Events:

AMCP Florida CE DinnerJuly 10th, 2025 in Jacksonville, Florida RSVP link Impact Education, LLC

AMCP Mid-South Networking EventSeptember 18th, 2025 in Auburn, Alabama Connect with Mid-South AMCP chapter on more information on how to RSVP

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