

Work life at the AMA: Employee spotlight

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Q: Tell us something you're looking forward to in the next year.

A: Taking more time to paint, and being involved in our community—both personal connections that seem a bit faded due to the pandemic. Good thing that creativity and the ability to connect are never

really lost, just got to find it again. Also, we're packing up the kids and driving to the East Coast again this summer. Did it last year, attempting to head to Boston and then down to South Carolina to see family again this year. Wish us luck!

Q: Are you involved in any employee groups at the AMA? If so, what do you enjoy about them?

A: I've had the privilege of being the InspirASIAN co-chair for the last year. Our ERG consists of people who speak so many languages, believe in various religions, celebrate so many festivals and holidays. It's been a lot of fun getting to know our members, finding our common ground, what we care about and how we are different. I've also learned a lot from the discussions in the other ERGs, especially the ADA sessions ACCESS has hosted and the most recent "Black-and" panel hosted by BEAN.

Q: What is a project your team is currently working on that you are excited about?

A: We've started to build out our planning, reporting and narrative infrastructure in the Center for Health Equity. Typing that out, I'm literally chuckling out loud because it sounds so boring but the process of doing it and the insights that come out of efforts like this can really bring people together and their stories to the surface. The project is really about the people, even though I also love a good Gantt chart and get excited about well-written objectives, SMARTIE goals and roadmaps.

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