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ASPE 2015 Emerging Leader Award: Angela Blood

ASPE's Emerging Leader for 2015 was announced at our annual meeting in June and we were pleased to name **Angela Blood** as the recipient of this prestigious award. Angela began her career in the standardized patient world in 2008 as an Education Specialist and SP Coordinator at the University of Chicago Simulation Center. In February 2014 she was promoted Director, Curriculum and Education Management at Rush University Medical Center.

As a long-time member of ASPE, Angela hit the ground running and immediately volunteered to serve as an abstract reviewer of submissions to the conference - and continues to this day participating in this important role for our organization. Since joining ASPE, she has also served as Publications Committee editor, Vice-chair of the Publications and Website committees, and currently sits on the ASPE Board of Directors as Chair of the new Website and Social Media Committee. Angela is a skillful liaison between the committee and the web designer and works tirelessly to ensure our membership have access to the best website possible. She leads her committee with skill and grace, which results in a productive committee while nurturing refreshing ideas for both the website and users of social media.

Angela's resume reads like someone who has been working for many, many years. She has over 90 publications, workshops and presentations and the range of topics is impressive. She has been principle investigator and co-investigator on five grants, a member of six professional education organizations, of which she has a leadership role in three. She also serves as a reviewer of several professional journals.

Our 2015 Emerging Leader collaborates quickly, listens actively, and speaks thoughtfully, concisely and honestly. She asks for guidance when she feels she needs it and provides support when she sees others in need. She strives for quality and innovation and success. She has demonstrated leadership and the commitment to the SP Methodology, and generally, supporting curriculum development in simulation.

When you talk with her, she will strike you as enthusiastic, brilliant, knowledgeable, energetic and strategic.

She represents the profession at the highest level therefore, it is our honor to award Angela Blood as ASPEs 2015 Emerging Leader.