

Lauren Manganiello Zaets is a clinical pharmacy specialist working in Home-Based Primary Care within the VA Connecticut Healthcare System. Dr. Zaets graduated from the University of Rhode Island College of Pharmacy in 2014 before going on to complete a PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency and PGY-2 Geriatric Pharmacy Residency at VA Connecticut. After completing her training, she has worked in several areas of geriatric care including long-term care, skilled nursing, hospice, and home care within the VA network and serves as a consultant in the Veterans Aging Cohort Study. Dr. Zaets has been involved in ASCP since she was a student serving as a University of Rhode Island student chapter President. She continued to be an active leader within the organization joining the ASCP Connecticut Board of Directors in 2018 and becoming the President and Connecticut State Delegate from 2019-2021 during which time she helped the state membership navigate through the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. As President, Dr. Zaets fostered relationships with other state pharmacy organizations and expanded educational opportunities for local members through the creation of virtual partnered conferences focusing on compounding CE and COVID-19 updates. She also organized virtual pharmacist career panels to spotlight geriatric pharmacy career paths for students in the Northeast. Dr. Zaets remains on the ASCP Connecticut Board of Directors providing guidance as Past President. She has been actively involved with ASCP on a regional level serving as the Education Chair and coordinating CE programming for the ASCP Northeast Regional meeting from 2019-2022. She has worked to foster ASCP student involvement as part of the national Student and New Practitioners Workgroup with a focus on incorporation of student programming into ASCP Regional meetings. Dr. Zaets serves as a preceptor and mentee for students, PGY-1 residents, and PGY-2 residents in the home care setting and looks forward to continuing to facilitate the growth and development of a new generation of geriatric pharmacists!