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## Iowa-ACC Newsletter, February 2022

### President's Message

*Mahi L. Ashwath MD, MBA, FACC, FASE, FSCMR*

Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to 2022. Hope you all stayed safe through the recent surge. Wishing you much health and happiness in this New Year.

Autumn McGill has done a tremendous job with the Iowa ACC and we would like to thank her for all her efforts last year. She is unable to continue as the Chapter Executive and I would like to take this time to introduce you all to our new Chapter Executive - Lezlie.

Lezlie brings over 20 years of nonprofit management experience to the role as Chapter Executive. She has extensive experience in fundraising and volunteer management. Lezlie currently serves as the Executive Director for the Iowa Heart Center Foundation. Previously, Lezlie led Count the Kicks, a national stillbirth prevention program.

In that role, Lezlie partnered with the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the Association of Women's Health & Neonatal Nurses. Building strategic partner relationships is a strength of Lezlie's and she is excited to apply her skills to support the Iowa ACC members.

Lezlie is passionate about heart health on a very personal level. She and her husband, Mike, live in Urbandale with their three children. Her son was diagnosed with hypertrophic cardiomyopathy at four months old and a silent patent ductus arteriosus was discovered in her youngest daughter a few years ago.

Please join me in welcoming Lezlie to the Iowa ACC team!



Lezlie Mestdagh joins Iowa ACC as the new Chapter Executive.

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Iowa ACC in conjunction with the Early Career Section of the ACC, Virginia ACC and Louisiana is holding the upcoming Early Career Webinar on March 9th.

Please register and save the date for an exciting hour of topics very relevant to early career cardiologists. Additional details and the agenda can be found [here](#).

**WEBINAR**

**EARLY CAREER MATTERS THAT MATTER**  
**MAR. 9 | 7 - 8 P.M. ET**

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