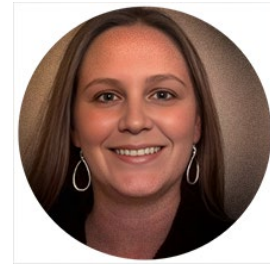




2025 Election Nominees

Position: Technician Council Representative

Nominee: Carrie Cooley
Title: Automation Technician
Pharmacy: Stormont Vail Health
City: Topeka



Why are you applying for a KPhA Board of Directors position?

I am seeking a position on the board of directors to champion initiatives that improve patient care, tackle industry challenges, and foster professional growth. My commitment to making a meaningful difference in our community—by ensuring that pharmacy practices emphasize patient safety, medication accessibility, and health education—positions me as a strong candidate for this role.

What do you perceive as the largest challenges for the profession of pharmacy?

The pharmacy profession faces several significant challenges, including issues related to public perception and awareness of its role, even in light of continuous educational efforts. Additionally, staffing shortages contribute to burnout and negatively affect the mental well-being of pharmacy personnel. Furthermore, there is an urgent need to shift from volume-driven care models to those that prioritize value-based care.

What are your Top 3 priorities if elected?

1. Improving patient care and safety by highlighting the vital contributions of pharmacists within the healthcare system.
2. Advocating for policies that benefit the pharmacy profession, such as ensuring fair compensation for services, minimizing regulatory challenges, and tackling workforce shortages.
3. Fostering professional development opportunities for all pharmacists and technicians, equipping them to embrace innovative advancements that enhance patient care.

Nomination type: Other

Why did you nominate Carrie? She has had nearly every technician role at Stormont Vail over the course of her career. Carrie has developed an interest in leadership and change efforts, which motivated her to move into her role as our lead automation technician, serve on our pharmacy well-being committee, and attend our residency program's preceptor development presentations. She also completed Stormont Vail's Emerging Leaders Program (*When Everyone Leads*).