

CHAPTER NEWS QUARTER 1 2024

Information, invites, updates and more!

We are excited about our upcoming MAST Showcase!

Trending, interesting and important topics will be covered in education sessions, a career development center will offer significant opportunities for job seekers and those looking at new areas to work in as well as to employers looking for their next great team member, our largest number of exhibitors in our expo hall ever, loads of networking including a lunch with keynote speakers and an after-party with food, beverages and music! **Be sure to join us on May 7 for what promises to be the biggest and best MAST event to date!** We look forward to seeing you there!



Register

If you have sustainability solutions, team collaborations and projects you'd like to showcase, **NOW** is the time to let us know. The MAST Committee will review all the requests and reach out with questions for you. We are stronger as a community, we value your input, let us know what you want to present!

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Another great upcoming event...

Be sure to join us for the ISPE CBASummer Social on Thursday afternoon, June 6, at Plano Coudon Construction in Baltimore. **Cornhole, food, beverages, and networking** with old and new friends promises to provide a fun afternoon for all! We hope to see you there – stay tuned for more details and registration.



A Message From the President

Dear Esteemed ISPE Chesapeake Bay Area Members,

I hope this message finds you in good health and high spirits. As we step into the heart of 2024, I am honored to serve as your President and lead our vibrant community of professionals in the pharmaceutical and life sciences sector. Our chapter thrives because of your unwavering commitment, and I am deeply grateful for your continued support.

First and foremost, let us express our heartfelt gratitude to our corporate sponsors and event partners. Their generous contributions empower us to organize impactful events, provide valuable resources, and foster meaningful connections. Without their support, our endeavors would be far less impactful. Let's take a moment to recognize their commitment to advancing our industry.

Our strength lies in our collective knowledge, passion, and camaraderie. To each and every member of the ISPE Chesapeake Bay Area Chapter, thank you! Your active participation, insightful discussions, and willingness to share expertise make our community thrive. Together, we are shaping the future of pharmaceuticals and life sciences.

Now, let's talk about what lies ahead. Brace yourselves, because we're adding some serious bang and punch to our calendar! Here's a sneak peek at what's coming:

- **New MAST Location** with a full day of educational programming and a dedicated Career Center for all! Come participate in our dynamic symposium where thought leaders, innovators, and disruptors converge. We'll explore cutting-edge technologies, regulatory trends, and groundbreaking research. Mark your calendars—it's going to be a game-changer! May 7, 2024
- **Webinar Education Series:** Elevate your career trajectory with our exclusive series. From mentorship sessions to resume workshops, we're committed to boosting your professional growth. Whether you're a seasoned pro or just starting out, there's something for everyone.
- **Networking:** Picture this – a stunning waterfront venue, live music, and an atmosphere buzzing with industry leaders. Our annual networking event promises to be unforgettable – stay tuned for more details!
- **Leadership Retreat:** Our retreat will equip you with the skills, mindset and connections to lead effectively. Let's empower the next generation of industry trailblazers. This event will be held late this year as we reflect on what we did well in 2024 and start to plan our 2025 activities.

As we embark on these exciting ventures, remember that you are an integral part of our success story. Your voice matters, your ideas shape our direction, and your presence enriches our gatherings. Let's continue to learn, collaborate, and celebrate together. We have established our Marketing Partner, Bio Buzz, and are partnering with memento to gather feedback on our events live to ensure your input and insights are heard. You'll soon be able to show others the events that you attended with us by the "badges" you earn attending events!

Stay tuned for official announcements, registration details, and more. Keep an eye on your inbox—we're about to make waves! Please share this Newsletter with others so they might feel welcome at our events as well. All are welcome and invited, we are stronger together!

Thank you for being part of the ISPE Chesapeake Bay Area family. Here's to a year of growth, impact, and shared achievements.

Warm regards,
Lynne Cooper President, ISPE Chesapeake Bay Area Chapter 2024

P.S. Connect with us on LinkedIn and follow our chapter updates for real-time news and opportunities!

BioBuzz Networks and ISPE-CBA Announce Exciting Partnership

We are extremely excited to announce that ISPE CBA Chapter and BioBuzz have established a Memorandum of Understanding between the two organizations. This alliance will enable us to help strengthen Maryland's pharmaceutical and biotech industries by building a stronger, more connected community.



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CaSA 2024 Tech Fair

Once again, it was great!



The 31st ISPE-CaSA Tech Show was an event packed with insightful sessions and valuable networking opportunities. Attendees were provided with a comprehensive look into various aspects of the pharmaceutical industry, with opportunities for learning, job searching, networking, and socializing. CBA board members were happy to join the CaSA chapter at their tech show in Raleigh, NC.

The event featured a career fair, keynote speakers that covered everything from workplace communication to building the industrial base for the human brain cell, and various networking socials through the day.



Recent ISPE CBA Events

Volunteer Appreciation Day February 27th

On February 27, ISPE CBA's EL/WIP Committee kicked off 2024 by hosting an engaging, in-person event at the Columbia Ale House. Volunteers played trivia and spent an engaging, enjoyable evening networking as the EL/WIP Committee Chairs, Jaymie White and Danielle Gabrish, recognized these volunteers for their outstanding commitment to ISPE CBA, each of whom have devoted their time, energy, ideas, and lots of fun to our Chapter! We are exceptionally grateful and thank you all – SO MUCH! Our community, and events, could not successfully exist without your help!!

ISPE Emerging Leader Day March 8th



We have several exciting events planned for the next quarter. Visit our [events page](#) frequently to stay up to date on details!

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April 17th



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On March 8, ISPE held a fantastic Emerging Leader Day Workshop! During this global event, CBA's WIP Committee Chair Danielle Gabrish presented an inspiring session to the attendees, and CBA Emerging Leader Committee Chair Jaymie White led an engaging table session in which Emerging Leaders were able to communicate, learning from one another, holding interesting and important discussions, and getting to know each other.

This fantastic, four-hour, virtual event was held on a Remo platform; ISPE Emerging Leaders from around the world attended, jumping from table to table to meet each other, have interesting, informative and fun discussions, and enjoy time together. ISPE CBA will be holding an additional two EL/WIP Workshops in 2024!

May 7th

EL/WIP Workshop

June 4

Summer Social @ Plano Coudon Construction

June 6

Sustainability Workshop

June 11



EL/WIP STEM Event at AZ March 13th

Attendees had an incredible time volunteering to help with AstraZeneca's STEM event led by Danielle Gabrish. These students were hungry and eager to learn more about career opportunities in Pharma.



There were numerous interactive activities for the students to learn about and participate in including gown racing, glow germ and gloves, and a cell therapy bag inspection station!

We also had a career development area where we were able to answer student questions, providing information on career advice, career pathways in pharma, interview skills, how to get involved in ISPE Chesapeake Bay Area Chapter, LinkedIn tips, etc. These events truly set the groundwork for the future of the workforce in Pharma!



Mugs and Mentors April 11th

On April 11, 40+ people gathered at the Guinness Brewery in Baltimore, Maryland, for the ISPE CBA "Mugs & Mentors" Mentor Circle Event. Attendees were divided into five groups who rotated through each of five mentor circles to discuss the concept of Mentor Circles, Interviewing & Job Searching, Career Pathways in Pharma, Educational & Training Advancements, and Women in Pharma® and Emerging Leaders initiatives and future plans. After the sessions ended, everyone stayed for tacos and snacks, beverages (beer at Guinness, of course!) and networking. It was a great evening, with two more Mugs & Mentors events to follow this year. Thanks to Jaymie White and Danielle Gabrish, along with all of the other volunteers, who developed and implemented this fun and educational program!



MD Climate Solutions - Sustainability Event

April 17th

The ISPE CBA Sustainability Committee recently hosted an enlightening event centered on the Montgomery County Buildings Energy Performance Standards (BEPS) Program. Attendees had the valuable opportunity to delve into the intricacies of this program and gain insights from fellow members. From understanding the program's guidelines to learning practical tips and tricks for navigating its requirements, participants left equipped with knowledge to effectively operate within the BEPS framework. It was a collaborative session where professionals gathered to share expertise and enhance their sustainability practices. If you missed out, keep an eye out for future events to stay informed and engaged in sustainable initiatives within the industry!



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ISPE CBA Women in Pharma® and Emerging Leaders Groups join together to share information, discuss topics of mutual interest, and develop educational and networking opportunities to help everyone learn, grow, see colleagues and friends, and meet new ones!

Monthly calls are held and invitations are sent to WIP and EL members so if you have not received it, please contact Jason Metzler at jmetzler@bkma.com



Hamid Teimourian, ISPE CBA Vice President
AstraZeneca, Energy Program (Sustainability) Lead

How did you get involved with ISPE? How long have you been a member?

I made a career change in 2015 from oil industry to pharma. I am a mechanical engineer and there was knowledge that I could utilize from my previous experience, but these two industries are so different in nature. AstraZeneca is a great place to work and supports employee development. So, my manager and mentor at that time introduced me to ISPE as a resource for learning, career development and networking. Since then, I have taken trainings, attended conferences, and have had various roles within the ISPE local chapter, nationally and globally.

Tell us about your role with ISPE CBA Vice President

Currently I serve as the Vice President of the ISPE Chesapeake Area Chapter. This role is an elected and voting member of the chapter board of directors. I am working with the Chapter President to make strategic plans on how to run the chapter and increase members engagement.

What led you to become the Vice President of ISPE CBA?

I am very passionate about what we do in ISPE to serve patients by connecting professionals in life science industry. That was one of the main drivers for me to take the nomination for the Vice President. We have couple of ambitious goals for the chapter in 2024 and I am very excited to be part of the new leadership team to achieve these goals. We will keep you posted with the news through the chapter LinkedIn and Newsletter.

Can you tell us a little bit about what you have planned for ISPE in 2024?

We have developed a calendar of the events for 2024 that has been published in the chapter's LinkedIn account and soon will be available in our website as well. We have many exciting events for this year including our largest annual event, The Mid-Atlantic Science & Technology (MAST) Showcase. We have so many educational and networking events that our members can join this year. Make sure to follow us in LinkedIn to stay up to date with the chapter news and events.

What is most exciting to you about these plans?

I am excited to see a calendar full of events for our members in 2024. My favorite event of the year is MAST showcase that will be on May 7th.

Outside of ISPE CBA and (company you work for), what are your interests? Hobbies? How do you spend your free time?

I try to stay active by going to the gym and spending time outdoors. I also like to travel and spend time with family and friends.

Last but not least!

ISPE CBA Chapter has numerous events and meetings that feature **subject matter experts** as speakers or to provide presentations! If you are interested in **speaking or presenting at an ISPE CBA event**, please visit CBA Chapter Events or contact manager@ispe-cba.org.

CBA Members – **we want your Feedback!** We welcome your thoughts **on events, programs, educational or networking events**, or other great **ideas and suggestions!** Please let us know what we can do as a Chapter to make ISPE CBA more **beneficial for you!** Write us at manager@ispe-cba.com.

ISPE CBA has **numerous opportunities** throughout the year to sponsor events or the Chapter itself. In addition to gaining great **visibility** among the **CBA Chapter and regional life science community**, sponsors receive additional **benefits**. Contact manager@ispe-cba.com to learn about **2024 sponsorship opportunities**.

The **Mid-Atlantic Science and Technology Showcase** happens every spring. Would you like to present your topic at this event? **If you have sustainability solutions, team collaborations and projects you'd like to showcase, NOW is the time to let us know.** The MAST Committee will review all the requests and reach out with questions for you. We are stronger as a community, we value your input, let us know what you want to present!

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