

Dear ACPE Members,

I am pleased to introduce myself as ACPE's new Finance Manager. I've lived in the Atlanta area for over 30 years and am now based in Tucker. My role encompasses oversight of all accounting operations and special projects that support ACPE's strategic goals and significant financial transactions. My focus areas since I started in mid-February include the following:

- Reviewing the 2025 financial transactions as our team prepares for the annual audit
- Supporting the finance team with the iMIS implementation, which should improve our membership system billing efficiency
- Learning our monthly close processes, accounting systems, and banking operations, while sharing my non-profit accounting knowledge and experience

Prior to assuming this new position, I've spent over ten years working with the following non-profit organizations:

Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta – I worked as a consultant with a multi-organizational team, overseeing the repair and renovation of over forty child-care centers in the City of Atlanta. A federal grant of \$5 million awarded to the City and CFGA served as the fiscal agent for this program. My role was to monitor all expenditures, evaluate cost viability for each project, and report financial results to the City. This project began in 2022 and was finished late last year.

Hemophilia of Georgia (HoG) - As controller for HoG, a non-profit pharmacy with an annual revenue of over \$120 million, I managed the annual audit, budgeting, preparation of board reports, and monthly financial statement preparation.

United Way of Greater Atlanta - As Grants Accounting Manager, I led private and public grants reporting, typically overseeing over thirty programs at any given time.

My CPA experience comes from working as an auditor for Arthur Andersen, where I audited real estate, health care, and manufacturing investments, as well as a membership-based golf organization based in Georgia. After my years as an auditor, my accounting roles were with public and private organizations, including local non-profit organizations, Fortune 500 companies, and local businesses. I've also had the privilege of sharing my knowledge with up-and-coming finance professionals through teaching college-level accounting courses at Georgia State University.

I'm excited to be a part of a dynamic, spirituality-centered educational organization serving a broad community throughout the country. I'm enjoying working with and getting to know the organization's experienced finance team and applying my experience to ACPE as we establish improved systems for more efficient financial and accounting operations.