



## Karen Muschler, DO, MS

**Please share your current and past involvement in AACT, AACT-related activities and/or ABAT.**

I have previously had the pleasure of attending NACCT as both attendee and podium/poster presenter. I have additionally done abstract review for the conference for the two years I was eligible. I attend the AACT webinars.

**Please note any previous leadership and/or board experience(s) in other associations and/or institutions.**

I held board positions with Medical Students for Choice, Student American Osteopathic Association, and Wilderness Medicine student groups while in medical school. I have recently obtained adjunct assistant professorships at both Uniformed Services University and University of Texas - San Antonio in Emergency Medicine/Medical Toxicology.

**Please share your vision and goals as a member of the Board of Trustees.**

Toxicology is treated as a niche interest by many yet we possess unique translational knowledge that improve healthcare outcomes. I would like to be a trustee of the preeminent institution advancing the role of Toxicology in the medical field and public eye. This subspecialty has broad applications; AACT trustees can serve as that critical expert linkage between our subspecialty, the general public, academic medicine, the legal system, and more. I want to mold the formal policies put forward by the AACT as a member of the board. I want to represent the AACT as a scientific institution advancing toxicology research to improve patient outcomes. As a member of the board, I would propose improvements in information and accessibility to the AACT website.

Thank you for your consideration.

**Professional Bio (150–200 words; will be used for the program/website)**

Dr. Karen Muschler, MS, is a medical toxicologist, emergency medicine physician, and active-duty service member. She has a complex background starting with an undergraduate degree in Marine Biology to serving in the military as a flight medicine physician to now practicing as a toxicology consultant and staff emergency medicine physician in Texas. Dr. Muschler completed medical school in Florida, emergency medicine residency at Madigan Army Medical Center, and medical toxicology fellowship at Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Safety/Denver Health. She loves all things venom (especially marine!), natural toxins/poisons, and operational medicine. Her research interests are improving patient outcomes after snakebite and operational medical education.