

Explain the strengths you would bring to the Leadership Council and why you want to serve. Please limit this statement to 250-300 words

Over the last couple of years, I have reflected on my time serving as President of SHAPE Nebraska I wondered what I could do to give back to a profession that has given me so much. When approached about joining the Central District Leadership Council, I thought this would be a great fit. I feel I can bring three key things to help strengthen the Leadership Council.

First, I can bring experience. I have been through the ups and downs, triumphs and struggles of being a part of the SHAPE Nebraska over the last 8 years. I have served or been a part of nearly all the positions of the board. During that time I have gotten to see what works and what does not work.

Next, I am willing to do whatever is needed to make the Leadership Council and Central District stronger. I feel that I am very much a team player and can assist with any task needed to help make the organization stronger.

Finally, I am very passionate about staying involved. One of the reasons I have stayed a part of the SHAPE Nebraska board is that I enjoy it. It would have been easy to step away when problems occurred or walk away after my time was done, but I wanted to see it through. This is a very exciting time in our profession and I want to be a part of something that can lay the ground work for the future success of not only our profession, but improve the health of our entire country.

In closing, I remember my first interaction with Central District like it was yesterday. It was at the leadership summit in Steamboat. I was not sure what to expect, but looking back it was a great time and I left inspired. Now with the opportunity to be on the Leadership Council, hopefully, I can inspire others to become passionate about this wonderful profession.