Lori Newman, CST, FAST

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Lori has been a surgical technologist for 33 years, graduating from St. Cloud Technical College in St. Cloud, Minnesota. After graduation, she worked as a CST in the Minneapolis area before returning to the St. Cloud area where she worked as a CST at the St. Cloud Hospital. While working as a CST, Lori realized that she enjoyed



the teaching/precepting role and decided to pursue a degree in education, graduating with an elementary education degree and later her master's degree in curriculum and instruction. In 2006, she began her career as a surgical technology instructor and program director with Rasmussen University and in 2021, she joined St. Cloud Technical & Community College as a professor and its surgical technology program director.

Lori has served on the Minnesota State Assembly board since 2014. She has held the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Director, and State Delegate. Lori received the FAST in 2021. Lori feels that instilling a sense of commitment and pride in her students and other CSTs is the foundation of growing as professionals. Writes Lori, "We have an important, amazing role and patients put their trust in us. We need to live up to it!" As a SALC member, Lori hopes to be able to guide and support other state assemblies the way that the SALC has supported her state board. Lori enjoys adventures with her fiancé, David, and tries to be a fun mom to Carter (20) and Madelyn (18) but is sometimes incredibly embarrassing.