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*Even the most loyal ACS Industry Matters readers skip a story or an issue every now and then. I get that. Which is why I have selected arguably the best questions and answers in 2020 from ACS Boss Talk and ACS What I Learned. You'll see several stories on this topic over the next month. In today's issue, 14 ACS Boss Talk contributors describe how their parents influenced their leadership style. I hope you'll read these responses, or re-read as the case may be. They provide important insights into these industry leaders.*

*Elsewhere in today's issue, Katherine Lee, ACS Board member and Senior Director at Pfizer, provides a candid response on how to transition from the bench, based on her own experiences.*

*Finally, three ACS Career Consultants provide advice on the topic of applying for jobs in the pandemic era. It can be particularly stressful, and they offer ideas on how to manage the stress.*

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## PARENTS' INFLUENCE ON 14 INDUSTRY EXECUTIVES



Fourteen industry executives reveal how their parents shaped the type of leaders they are today. [Go to Article](#)

## CAREER ADVICE



Katherine L. Lee, Senior Director, Head of Scientific Planning and Operations, Inflammation and Immunology Research Unit, Pfizer, provides some practical advice on making the move from the bench to something new. [Watch the video](#)

## CAREER CORNER

Applying for jobs can be a thankless and stressful exercise. Our ACS Career Consultants advise how to preserve your mental health as you head down this challenging path. [Go to Article](#)

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