WPS members and news highlights

A note from the WPS chair

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That’s a wrap on another Women in Medicine Month (WIM Month). This year’s WIM Month webinar featured an eminent panel of leaders in organized medicine: Sandra Adamson Fryhofer, MD (chair, AMA Board of Trustees), Darilyn V. Moyer, MD (EVP and CEO, ACP), and Iffath Abassi Hoskins, MD (president, ACOG) and moderated by our own Susan Thompson Hingle, MD (WPS vice chair). During the discussion on gender diversity in leadership, the panelists shared their own experiences and life lessons from their notable careers in medicine. If you missed it, you can rewatch this excellent webinar anytime.

2022 Inspiration Award

We recognized the WPS Inspiration Award honorees, a group of incredible women and men nominated by their peers for their dedication to and support of women in medicine.
2022 Giambalvo Fund winners

We announced the recipients of this year’s Joan F. Giambalvo Fund for the Advancement of Women research scholarships.

Arab women in academic medicine

The first project, led by Maram Alkhatib, MD and Zareen Zaidi, MD, PhD, will examine the xenophobic experiences of Arab women in academic medicine. As we work to improve diversity, equity, and inclusion in medicine, this research will provide important information about the obstacles this group of minoritized women face when navigating academic medicine in America.

Communication strategies for surgical trainees

The second project, led by Kavitha Ranganathan, MD, Timothy Smith, MD, PhD, MPH and Cierra Harper, will evaluate communication strategies as relevant to surgical trainees. Women in surgery face unique challenges that are known to impact their well-being, and these challenges begin during the intern year, the most vulnerable year of training. This study examines the interpersonal communications between surgical residents and non-physician providers across demographic factors to assess their impact on resident wellbeing.

Congratulations to all of our honorees and award winners.

While WIM Month is technically over, we continue to recognize and celebrate the amazing work women do every day, in and out of the hospital. Thank you for everything that you do!

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