Women Physicians Section (AMA-WPS)

Alternate Delegate

Name
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Credentials
MD MSc

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Statement of interest

Given my previous WPS GC MSS representative role, I have valuable experience with the advocacy levers available to the WPS. As a WPS GC Medical Student Representative, I launched a Facebook interest group to create a pipeline of engaged members, co-authored resolutions on human trafficking and social services for sexual violence victims. I have conducted research via the WPS Joan F. Giambalvo research grant studying how a physician’s gender affects patients’ experience of care. On the board of the Emergency Medicine Residency Association (EMRA), I co-edited a new edition of the EMRA Health Policy Handbook, highlighting challenges for women in emergency medicine. Concerned about how STIs disproportionately impact women, I launched a portfolio of projects on ED care of STIs, leading implementation of expedited STI partner treatment (EPT), created Rethinksticare.org, and resolution for American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) to create a model state legislation. As an attending physician, I’ve served on the Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health (AIM) Task Force on Sepsis, National Panel on Pain Management for Pregnant Individuals. I have created hospital institutional change in improving access to contraception through order set and formulary changes. I am excited about bringing my advocacy, legislative, and research skillset to the AMA WPS to champion women physicians through dedicated leadership pipeline programs, exploring employment models that support retention and prevent burnout, and advancing financial wellness for women in medicine. As a passionate advocate for women’s health issues, I plan to fight for access to quality sexual and reproductive healthcare.
Diversity statement

As a mixed-race person, I bring a unique experience in navigating the world not quite belonging to either of the groups from which my parents originated. These early experiences in feeling like an occasional outsider helped build empathy and interest in social justice for the challenges faced by the racial/ethnic/gender/sexual and gender minority groups (among others, such as income/class/and other socially vulnerable groups) that US policies have historically marginalized. It also informed my belief that a society is better off when all individuals and no groups are left behind. This foundation of diversity, inclusivity, and equity has been central to my advocacy and research work and an ideal to fight for continually.