

## **WPS Update to November 2022 YPS Assembly**

### **Key Activities/Events**

#### **Joint Education Session “Protecting our Healers”**

Hosted by IPPS, OMSS, PPPS, WPS, LGBTQ Advisory Committee

Friday, November 11 (Hawaii Standard Time) 8:00-9:30 a.m

Room 323 A-C of the Convention Center.

#### **WPS Business & Associates Meeting**

Friday, November 11 (Hawaii Standard Time) 4:00-6:00 pm

During this meeting, the WPS will host a Pathway to Leadership Program: “From finding your purpose to following your path.” This program will feature brief presentations from women physician leaders followed by small group discussions.

Room 314 of the Convention Center

### **WPS Resolutions Submitted for Consideration at the 2022 Interim Meeting**

Draft Resolution 227: Access to Methotrexate Based on Clinical Decisions

RESOLVED, That our AMA work to create a formal process to review pharmaceutical practices related to refusal of methotrexate and other drugs on the basis that it could be used off-label for pregnancy termination (Directive to Take Action); and be it further

RESOLVED, That our AMA work to provide educational guidance on state-specific laws that have impacted the distribution of methotrexate given post Dobbs vs. Jackson Women’s Health Organization restrictions. (Directive to Take Action)

### **WPS Key Highlights**

September was Women in Medicine Month (WIMM) Leading with Purpose.

The AMA Women in Medicine Webinar on Gender Diversity in Leadership 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 GC Vce Chair). During the discussion on gender diversity in leadership, the panelists shared their own experiences and life lessons from their notable careers in medicine.

Watch the recording here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uk2YVWnBe-Q>

## **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. Roberta Gebhard, DO, who is our AMWA representative on the WPC GC, was one of this year's honorees!

## **2022 Giambalvo Fund recipients**

<https://www.ama-assn.org/about/awards/joan-f-giambalvo-fund-advancement-women>

### Unpacking the stranger: Xenophobic Experiences of 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.

### Evaluating Communication Strategies as relevant to 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.

Thank you for this opportunity to serve as a liaison between our YPS and the WPS-GC, please let me know if you have any questions or feedback.

Sincerely,

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