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#### Welcome to AMWA's Interim Meeting in Celebration of "Women in Medicine" Month

September 27-28, 2014

Cherished Colleagues and AMWA supporters,



On behalf of the founders and leaders of the American Medical Women's Association, thank you for attending and supporting our interim meeting. Happy "Women in Medicine" month to all! A special note of appreciation to our sponsors and contributors-we are looking forward to nurturing our relationship for the future. We are on the cusp of our centennial celebration, which will be held at the Palmer House Hilton in Chicago, Illinois from April 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>, 2015. We have a robust CME program with a multitude of national experts, thought leaders and visionaries from our global community as speakers and participants. As

AMWA President this year, my passion for promotion of disease prevention, fitness and wellness remains at the forefront of my agenda. I encourage you to live a fit, healthy, well-balanced life as you navigate life's ebbs and flows. Please join us on one of our many committees as AMWA's growth and reach extends further than ever before. Your involvement and continued support is vital as we continue to promote the advancement of women in medicine and promote health and wellness. During this interim meeting, I welcome you to connect, network and build strong connections that are essential as we convert great conversation into action. I have chosen several leaders and members of AMWA as well as national leaders to receive noteworthy awards in honor of their staunch devotion, dedication and commitment to AMWA's mission and vision. I am looking forward to honoring their excellence at this interim meeting. I am also looking forward to meeting each of you this weekend and seeing you again at our Centennial celebration in April 2015. Please visit <a href="www.amwa-doc.org">www.amwa-doc.org</a> for more information on our multitude of initiatives and opportunities for involvement.

With deepest sincerity,

Farzanna S. Haffizulla, MD, FACP AMWA President

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#### **AGENDA**

#### Saturday, September 27, 2014

Gold Coast Room Marriott

8:00 am	Caring for Women with HIV Infection (CME Breakfast) Ana M. Puga, MD - Medical Director, Comprehensive Family AIDS Program
9:00 am	Interim Meeting Welcome - Farzanna Haffizulla, MD, FACP - AMWA President Committee Reports – Discussion - New Proposals
12:00 pm	Are You Ready for Your Financial Check Up? (Lunch Presentation) Brooke West, CFP - SunTrust Investment Services
12:30 pm	Approaches to Leading Change Rebekah Apple, MA - Senior Manager, Physician Services & Support American College of Physician Executives
1:30 pm	Strategic Planning – AMWA's Centennial & Beyond
4:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting I (open session)
	Alpine Jaguar
6:30 pm	Women in Medicine Reception & Jaguar Showroom Viewing
7:00 pm	Welcome Farzanna Haffizulla, MD, FACP – AMWA President Keynote Ana M. Viamonte Ros, MD, MPH - Florida Past Surgeon General
7:30 pm	Presentation of Awards & Introduction of Special Guests Humayun Chaudhry, DO, MS, MACP, FACOI President & CEO, Federation of State Medical Boards Michelle L. Rossi, MD, FACP – President & Governor, Florida Chapter of the American College of Physicians
8:00 pm	Women Physicians in World War I Zayn M. Holt, BSc & Eliza Chin, MD, MPH
8:15 pm	Networking
Sunday, September 28, 2014 Gold Coast Room Marriott	
8:00 am	Board of Directors Meeting II (closed)
10:00 am	Overview of strategic planning – Action Items (open)
12:30 pm	Conclusion
12:45 pm	Informal Networking and Mentoring

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#### **Outstanding Leadership Award Recipients**



Ana Viamonte Ros, MD, MPH, is Associate Dean for Women in Medicine and Science at the FIU Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine and Director of Medical Staff Development at Baptist Health South Florida. She was Florida's first State Surgeon General and the first woman and Cuban American to serve as head of the Florida department of Health from 2007-2011. Charged by Florida's Governor, she acted as the state's leading advocate for wellness and disease awareness and action on women's health issues. Dr. Viamonte Ros earned her MD from the University of

Miami School of Medicine (1983) and her MPH degree from the Harvard School of Public Health (2005). She is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Gareth Green Award for Excellence in Public Health, and has written several articles concerning HIV care, nursing, mental health and radiology. She has received honorary doctorate degrees from Nova Southeastern University and Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine.



Humayun J. Chaudhry, DO, MS, MACP, FACOI, FAODME is President and CEO of the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), which represents the nation's state medical licensing boards and co-manages the United States Medical Licensing Exam (USMLE). Dr. Chaudhry graduated from the New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine (NYITCOM, 1991) and has Master's degrees from NYU and the Harvard School of Public Health. From 2001-2007, he was Chairman of the Department of Medicine and Assistant Dean at NYITCOM. Prior to joining FSMB, he was Commissioner of Health for Suffolk County, NY, leading the 9th largest health department in the US. Dr. Chaudhry also served in the

Air Force, rising to the rank of Major as a flight surgeon. He is a Master of the American College of Physicians (ACP), Past President of the American College of Osteopathic Internists, and co-author of Fundamentals of Clinical Medicine (2004) and Medical Licensing and Discipline in America (2012). He is a Clinical Associate Professor of Internal Medicine at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School.



Michelle L. Rossi, MD, FACP is the President & Governor of the Florida Chapter of the American College of Physicians (ACP). Her term has focused on enhancing opportunities to empower trainees and early-career physicians. Her clinical interests include patient-centered medicine and high-value cost-conscious health care. Dr. Rossi graduated from the University of Notre Dame, where she studied philosophy and discovered an enriching avocation in theater, experiences which would later augment her effectiveness as a physician, educator and leader. After completing an Internal Medicine residency at the University of Florida, she joined the faculty and

the affiliated Malcom Randall VA Medical Center. She also completed a Master Educator in Medical Education certificate program. Dr. Rossi has received many teaching and mentoring awards. The ACP named her one of the Top Hospitalists in 2011. A member of Alpha Omega Alpha and the Gold Humanism Honor Society, Dr. Rossi seeks to foster a love of learning and service in the next generation of healers. By challenging those around her to reach beyond themselves and redefine their potential, she believes that the landscape of medical practice, education and activism can be changed.



**Eliza Lo Chin, MD, MPH** is the Executive Director and a Past President of the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA). She is a graduate of UC Berkeley, Harvard Medical School, and Columbia University, Mailman School of Public Health. Dr. Chin completed her residency in primary care at the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston and was on faculty at Columbia University for many years before relocating to California where she is now Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine at UCSF. In 2002, she published the anthology, *This Side of Doctoring:* 

Reflections from Women in Medicine. She was a Visiting Scholar at the Women's Leadership Institute at Mills College and was featured in the National Library of Medicine's Exhibition, Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians. Dr. Chin is passionate about issues related to women in medicine and enjoys mentoring students and residents as they find their own career paths. In her spare time, she is an active volunteer with scouting and youth sports programs.

#### **Commitment to Excellence Award Recipients**

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#### The Role of Women Physicians in World War I

An On-line Exhibition Honoring Women Physicians & the Centennial of World War I

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AMWA has established an exhibition to celebrate the contribution of women physicians during World War I. The exhibit will feature biographies of women who served in the war, including Dr. Kate Karpeles, the first woman contract surgeon appointed within the army, Dr. Rosalie Slaughter Morton, a pioneer in establishing equal recognition for men and women serving as medical personnel in war, and Dr. Esther Pohl Lovejoy, founder and first president of the Medical Women's International Association (MWIA). A collection of articles, book chapters, and historical photographs of women physicians in World War I accompany the biographies. AMWA will supplement the exhibition with additional artifacts and resources throughout the year in continued remembrance of the dedication and trailblazing efforts of the American women physicians during World War I.



Kate Karpeles, MD 1st Woman Contract Surgeon AMWA President 1938-39

Rosalie Slaughter Morton, MD Chair, War Service Committee MWNA



Dr. Esther Pohl Lovejoy Founding President MWIA

MWNA President 1932-33



Campaign Photo American Women's Hospitals<sup>1</sup>





The Red Poppy was one of the first flowers to bloom in the battlefields of World War I and has become a symbol of remembrance for the War.

"We think...it is desirable for every woman physician to put herself on record as willing to serve her country at this time." -- AMWA War Service Committee, Oct 6,1917

When the United States entered the war, women physicians were eager to offer their services but were denied commissions in the Medical Corps. Those positions were felt by the War Department to be "not befitting a woman." Despite a petition from the MWNA to the Government, women could only serve as contract surgeons -- without the rank, pay, or benefits of commissioned officers. Ultimately, 56 women physicians accepted these appointments. For the others, the MWNA's War Service Committee founded the American Women's Hospitals (AWH) whereby women physicians could serve voluntarily in the war effort. In total, about 76 women served abroad in this way through AWH or the Red Cross.<sup>2</sup>

NOTE AMWA was known as the Medical Women's National Association (MWNA) until 1937.

Legacy Center Archives, Drexel University College of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA – <u>archives.drexelmed.edu</u>

<sup>2</sup>Bellafaire, J & Graf M. Women Doctors in War Texas A&M University Press: College Station. pp. 32-60.

Founded in 1915, AMWA is the oldest multi-specialty organization of women physicians. As the vision and voice of women in medicine for nearly a century, AMWA empowers women to lead in improving health for all, within a model that reflects the unique perspective of women.

#### A Brief History of AMWA

On November 18, 1915, Dr. Bertha Van Hoosen founded the Medical Women's National Association (MWNA) to bring "medical women into communication with each other for their mutual advantage and to encourage social and harmonious relations within and without the profession." The charter meeting was held at the Chicago Women's Club with 9 physicians and 2 philanthropists. Yearly dues were set at \$2 and Dr. Van Hoosen became the first president. The MWNA would later be renamed the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) in 1937.

In the early 20th century, women physicians were a distinct minority, and AMWA provided forums for networking and support that women could not find in the American Medical Association (AMA). But in addition to advocating for the advancement of women in medicine, AMWA focused on issues in preventive medicine and women's health. Over the past century, AMWA has participated in numerous educational and public health initiatives – women's health, smoking cessation, reproductive health, cardiovascular disease, gender equality, and healthcare reform.

The organization's advocacy work dates back to 1921, when the MWNA lobbied for the passage of the Sheppard-Towner Act. This law established prenatal and child health centers, ultimately laying the foundation for maternal health and well- child care programs today. In 1943, AMWA successfully led the fight to grant women physicians "Commissioned Officer" status in the military.

It had been the exclusion of women physicians from military rank during World War I that led to the formation of the American Women's Hospitals Service (AWHS), AMWA's charitable arm, which provided voluntary medical relief to the war-ravaged areas of Europe. The humanitarian work of AWHS would expand to other countries, providing aid during famine, civil unrest, natural disasters, and religious persecution. Today, AWHS continues to support need-based clinics around the world and provide travel grants for medical students and residents working abroad in impoverished communities.

Through the work of AWH, AMWA established strong international ties, and in 1919, Dr. Esther Pohl Lovejoy founded the Medical Women's International Association (MWIA) to promote the fellowship of women physicians from all over the world. Today, MWIA members represent women physicians from 90 countries in 6 continents. An international congress is held every 3 years. AMWA delegates recently attended the 29th MWIA Congress in Seoul, Korea.

AMWA's membership has grown over the past century, and at its peak in the 1990's had a membership of 13,000 and over 75 physician branches all over the country. A student division was established in 1957, a residency division in 2010, and a pre-medical division in 2013. Most allopathic and osteopathic schools in the United States have an active AMWA student branch whereby women medical students can find networking, support, and opportunities for both scholarly and service activities. As its centennial year approaches, AMWA will continue to champion issues of gender equity, health disparity, and women's health while mentoring the next generation of women physicians.

#### Get involved with AMWA initiatives – Sign up at registration

Gender Equity Task Force Mentoring Membership Publications Global Health American Women's Hospitals Service Women's Health Preventive Medicine Task Force Diversity and Inclusion Advocacy Physicians Against the Trafficking of Humans (PATH) Breast Cancer Task Force Archives Social Media Fellowship Program

#### Bring AMWA initiatives to your local community –

**September** Women in Medicine Month. Visit AMWA's on-line exhibition Women Physicians

in World War I in honor of the Centennial of World War I.

**October** Promote Breast Cancer Awareness Month with brochures on breast cancer screening.

Participate in AMWA's Diversity & Inclusion initiatives. Attend a webinar on women

physician veterans. Submit recipes for the Diversity and Inclusion Recipe Book.

**November** Mentor a resident, medical student, or pre-medical student.

Encourage support for the American Women's Hospital Service fund-raising campaign.

**December** Start a Local AMWA Branch to help network with and support the women physicians

in your community. Branch resources are available on the AMWA website.

**January** Human Trafficking Awareness Month – promote AMWA's interactive website

www.doc-path.org to engage and educate healthcare providers.

**February** Host a Red Dress Event and support AMWA's partnership with The Heart Truth.

**March** Women's History Month – visit AMWA's on-line exhibition Faces of AMWA and

learn about the contributions of past and present women physicians.

**April** Attend AMWA's Centennial Meeting in Chicago, April 23-26, 2015. Visit the home of

Dr. Bertha Van Hoosen or attend the Career Development Pre-course. Alcohol Awareness Day – Educate young youth about underage drinking and the dangers of alcohol poisoning. Counsel patients about safe alcohol use.

**May** Promote Women's Health Week by distributing brochures on women's health.

#### **AMWA's New Fellowship Program**

The American Medical Women's Association Fellowship Program serves to recognize distinguished members of AMWA who have accomplished outstanding achievements in science, medicine or academia. Selective criteria will be used to determine which applicants will be honored as an AMWA fellow. Applications will be reviewed quarterly and candidates awarded fellowship by January of each year will be invited to the fellowship induction ceremony held yearly at AMWA's Annual Meeting. AMWA's first class of fellows will be inducted at AMWA's Centennial Meeting in 2015. Apply now at www.amwa-doc.org.



#### An on-line exhibition – www.amwa-doc.org

Nominate a woman physician or help us research the work of early women AMWA leaders FacesofAMWA@yahoo.com















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#### **Diversity & Inclusion Cultural Cookbook – Recipes Needed!**

Goal: 100 recipes in honor of AMWA's Centennial!

**Wanted:** Cultural recipes (i.e. a family recipe, a recipe from a patient, any recipe that piqued interest) **Why?** To promote healthy alternatives for the working professional. We hope that this cookbook will provide an innovative way to help break the monotony of everyday meals and also highlight the different cultural backgrounds within AMWA.

**Deadline:** Thursday October 30th. Please spread the word to your colleagues and friends!

**Contact:** AMWAdiversityandinclusion1@gmail.com **Send:** Recipe, photo of the meal and a photo of yourself.

#### **AMWA Annual Awards**

Nominate an individual for one of AMWA's Annual Awards – www.amwa-doc.org

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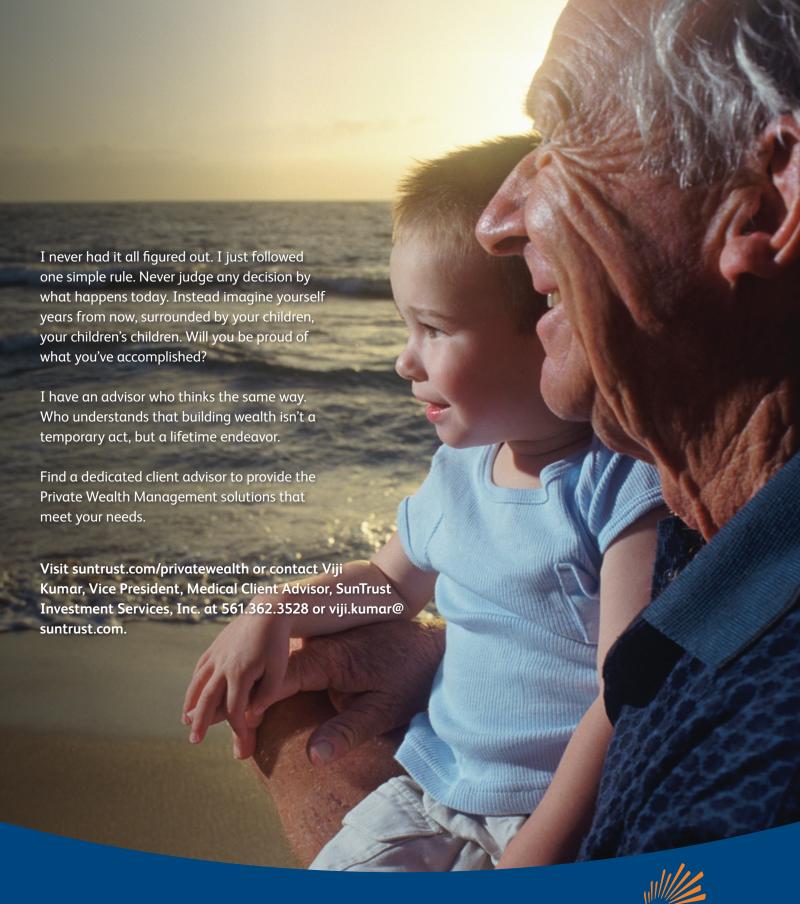








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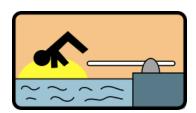
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