American Medical Women's Association 2021 AWARDS



Presidential Award – Uché Blackstock, MD

Dr. Uché Blackstock is a thought leader and sought-after speaker on bias and racism in health care. She is the Founder and CEO of Advancing Health Equity, which partners with healthcare and related organizations to address racism in healthcare and to eradicate racial health inequities. In 2019, Dr. Blackstock was recognized by Forbes magazine as one of "10 Diversity and Inclusion Trailblazers You Need to Get Familiar With." In 2020, she was one of thirty-one inaugural leaders awarded an unrestricted grant for her advocacy work from the Black Voices for Black Justice Fund. Dr. Blackstock's writing has been featured in national news outlets, and she is a regular contributor to Yahoo News and cable and broadcast news to discuss the Coronavirus pandemic and amplify the message around racial health inequities. Dr. Blackstock is a former Associate Professor

of Emergency Medicine and the former Faculty Director for Recruitment, Retention and Inclusion in the Office of Diversity Affairs at NYU School of Medicine. Dr. Blackstock received both her undergraduate and medical degrees from Harvard University. She currently lives in Brooklyn, New York with her two small children.



Presidential Award – Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg (posthumous)

Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Associate Justice, was born in Brooklyn, NY, March 15, 1933. She married Martin D. Ginsburg in 1954, and had a daughter, Jane, and a son, James. She received her B.A. from Cornell University, attended Harvard Law School, and received her LL.B. from Columbia Law School. She served as a law clerk to the Honorable Edmund L. Palmieri, Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of NY, from 1959–61. From 1961–63, she was a research associate and then associate director of the Columbia Law School Project on International Procedure. She was a Professor of Law at Rutgers University School

of Law (1963–72), and Columbia Law School (1972–80), and a fellow at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences in Stanford, CA (1977–78). In 1971, she co-founded the Women's Rights Project of the American Civil Liberties Union, and served as the ACLU's General Counsel (1973–80), and on the National Board of Directors (1974–80). She served on the Board and Executive Committee of the American Bar Foundation (1979-89), on the Board of Editors of the American Bar Association Journal (1972-78), and on the Council of the American Law Institute (1978-93). She was appointed a Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in 1980. President Clinton nominated her as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and she took her seat in 1993. Justice Ginsburg passed away on Sept. 18, 2020.



Presidential Award – Barbara Ross-Lee, DO, FACOFP

Dr. Barbara Ross-Lee is President-elect of the American Osteopathic Foundation and a nationally recognized expert on health policy issues and an advisor on primary care, medical education, minority health, women's health, and rural health care issues on the federal and state levels. She is the Founding Director of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) Health Policy Fellowship program, Founding Director of the Training in Policy Studies (TIPS) for post-graduate osteopathic trainees, Founding Director of the Institute for National Health Policy and Research, and a member of the Executive Committee of the National Osteopathic Medical Association. Dr. Ross-Lee is the first African American woman to serve as

dean of a U.S. medical school (Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine, 1993–2001). She served as a commissioned officer, in the U.S. Naval Reserves Medical Corps, achieving the rank of Captain. She has received six honorary degrees and many national awards. In 2012, Dr. Ross-Lee was appointed by the Institute of Medicine to join its Consensus Committee on the Governance and Financing of Graduate Medical Education (GME). She was the only osteopathic physician on this national committee.

Presidential Award-Dr. Rebecca Lee Crumpler (Feb 8, 1831-March 9, 1895, posthumous)

Dr. Rebecca Lee Crumpler, born Rebecca Davis, was the first Black woman physician in the United States. A nurse before she became a physician, she earned her MD from the New England Female Medical College in 1864 and began her practice in Boston. After the Civil War, she relocated to Richmond, VA and worked with the Freedmen's Bureau, the only known Black woman physician to have been employed by the Bureau. Dr. Lee Crumpler provided care for formerly enslaved people without any access to medical care. She returned to Boston in the late 1860s, providing care to people regardless of their ability to pay. She published *A Book of Medical Discourses in Two Parts* providing advice for treating illness in children and reproductive age women. Her book was also a means to fight against the racist notion that African Americans were biologically different. She observed and recorded the impact of what we now refer to as the social determinants of health on health outcomes in Black communities. Dr. Lee Crumpler married twice and is known to have had one child, Lizzie Sinclair Crumpler.



Elizabeth Blackwell Award – Susan Thompson Hingle, MD, MACP, FRCP, FAMWA

Dr. Susan Hingle practices internal medicine and serves as Associate Dean for Human and Organizational Potential at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. She earned her bachelor's degree from Miami University and medical degree from Rush University. She completed her residency at Georgetown University, where she served as Chief Resident. She completed the Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine Program. She has received a Golden Apple, the Excellence in Teaching Award, and the Leonard Tow Humanism Award. She was honored with ACP's McDonald Award for Young Physicians and several ACP Awards for Chapter Innovation. She served as Chair of the ACP Board of Regents and Board of Governors. She

was senior author on the ACP policy paper on gender equity in physician compensation and career advancement. She serves on AMWA's Board of Directors and strongly believes that women in medicine have enormous potential to influence the profession and society for the better.



Bertha Van Hoosen Award – Padmini Murthy, MD, MPH, FAMWA, FRSPH

Dr. Padmini Murthy is professor and global health director at New York medical College School of Health Sciences and Practice. Dr. Murthy serves as the Medical Women's International Association Secretary - General. She also serves as the Global Health Lead of the American Medical Women's Association. Dr. Murthy is widely published on multiple platforms and is co- editor of two books. She has been working to promote safe motherhood and other health initiatives focused on women in India, Malawi, and Grenada. She has also partnered with other NGOs during the current COVID crisis to supply

PPE to health care providers and the general population and other humanitarian aid supplies nationally and internationally. She has been working with other NGOS in providing Personal Protective Equipment across the US especially to the Navajo Nation. She has been the recipient of numerous awards Including the Elizabeth Blackwell Award and Sojourner Truth Pin.



Lila Wallis Women's Health Award - Alyson J. McGregor, MD, MA, FACEP

Dr. Alyson J. McGregor is a physician, researcher, writer and women's health advocate. She is an Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine at The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University and Director for the Division of Sex and Gender in Emergency Medicine. Her research on the roles sex and gender play in emergent conditions has led to over 80 peer reviewed publications and has made her a spokesperson and advocate for women around the world. Dr. McGregor is the lead editor for the textbook *Sex and Gender in Acute Care Medicine* (Cambridge University Press). Her TEDx talk,

"Why Medicine Often Has Dangerous Side Effects For Women," currently has over 1.6 million views and she has recently released her new book Sex Matters: How Male-Centric Medicine Endangers Women's Health and What We Can Do About It (Hatchet Book Group Publishing).



Woman in Science Award - Reshma Jagsi, MD, DPhil

Dr. Reshma Jagsi is the Newman Family Professor and Deputy Chair in the Department of Radiation Oncology and Director of the Center for Bioethics and Social Sciences in Medicine at the University of Michigan. Gender equity in academic medicine has been a key area of her scholarly focus and leadership since she was a trainee, and she brings to her research in this area her perspective as a physician and social scientist to promote evidence-based intervention. Author of over 300 articles in peer-reviewed journals, including numerous high-impact publications in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, the *Lancet*, and *JAMA*, her research has been funded by multiple independent grants from the U.S. National Institutes of Health, the Doris Duke Foundation, and numerous other foundations and has had direct impact on policies of funding organizations,

credentialing bodies, and academic institution.



Ester Pohl Lovejoy Award - Claudia Morrissey Conlon, MD, MPH, FAMWA

Dr. Claudia Morrissey Conlon began her career as a community organizer in poor communities in Southwestern US and Mexico. These experiences shaped her lifelong commitment to healthcare as a human right and her work to increase the health, wellbeing, and life-options of women. In 1982, she received her MD and went on to complete a residency in internal medicine. As a board-certified Internist she practiced medicine in disadvantaged communities for nearly a decade before earning an MPH and focusing her energies on global health challenges. Dr. Morrissey Conlon's work with USAID, WHO, NGOs, and universities to reduce maternal and newborn mortality has taken her to all global regions. Recently retired, Dr. Morrissey Conlon is on the

editorial board of the *Journal of Women's Health* and the President's Advisory Committee of Pathfinder International. She is a Past-President of AMWA and Past-Vice President for North America for MWIA.



Larry Zaroff Man of Good Conscience Award - Stephen Ray Mitchell, MD, MBA MACP, FRCP

While a first-gen, Dreyfus Scholar at UNC, Dr. Mitchell's mother was instrumental in his career and should have been a physician. That is why he was drawn to promoting women. He completed medicine-pediatrics at the NC Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill, rheumatology training at Georgetown, and in 1988, accepted a faculty position at Georgetown serving as PD in Internal Medicine 1992-1999, and started a Medicine-Pediatric program in 1997. In those roles, he was supportive of a fledgling Women-in-Medicine committee. Georgetown had a ways to go! After moving to a medical-center wide organization,

that organization has not once but twice won the award by AAMC as the leading Women in Medicine's Group. A highlight of Dr. Mitchell's career was the "Estelle Ramey Award" for mentoring women. He served as Dean for Medical Education at Georgetown from 2000-2020 and now serves as Professor of Medicine, Pediatrics, and Dean Emeritus.

Camille Mermod Award – Emily Chen, MBA

Emily Chen worked at a Fortune 500 IT company as a sales manager for over 20 years and brought along her business and project management skills to AMWA in 2019. Having the opportunity to contribute to AMWA has been very fulfilling, and Emily works alongside Dr. Eliza Chin and other team members on various projects and initiatives including Media AMWA, Physician Infertility, Physician Reentry, Suicide Awareness, and Dance, Theater and Medicine. It is an honor and a privilege for Emily to be the recipient of the AMWA's Camille Mermod Award.



Camille Mermod Award – Kayla Li, MSc

Kayla Li graduated from the University of South Florida with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biomedical Sciences and minor in General Public Health in 2018. She was a research assistant at the School of Music, a study abroad ambassador, and a volunteer with her local AMWA chapter. Following graduation, Kayla completed her master of science (MSc) degree in clinical embryology at the University of Oxford where she served as her course representative and postgraduate representative of the Medical Sciences Division. Kayla started working for AMWA in the beginning of 2020 and has been handling large-scale

projects and supporting committees. She is most inspired by the collaboration and passion of the AMWA community. Kayla will be attending medical school in the summer/fall of 2021. In her free time, Kayla enjoys gardening, painting, and spending time with her loved ones.



Anne C. Carter Student Leadership Award – Alexandra Pincus

Alexandra Pincus is an MD/PhD student at Oregon Health & Science University and the Region 9 Director for AMWA. As a student in the Neuroscience Graduate Program she studies neural mechanisms of airway hyperreactivity in asthma under the mentorship of Dr. David Jacoby. She was a founding member of the OHSU branch of AMWA, and has organized community events with faculty to facilitate mentorship for medical students, created peer mentorship programs with undergraduates in Portland, presented

research on gender inequality in medical education, and organized the recent AMWA conference *Strength through Stories: Intersectional Identities, Resilience, and Healing*. She was a founder of the Women's Leadership Development Program, a curriculum for women entering medical school that has been honored with awards at the local and national level. She loves working with programs that affirm, engage, and empower her community of women leaders.

Exceptional Mentor Award Recipients

Leisa Bailey, MD Northwest Florida Community Hospital

Monica Broome, MD Director of Communications University of Miami Miller School of Medicine

Elisa Choi, MD, FACP, FIDSA Governor, Massachusetts ACP Chapter; Chair-Elect Designee, Board of Governors, American College of Physicians (ACP)

Robert Chow, MD, MBA, MACP University of Maryland Midtown Health Center

Viet Do, MD Mayo Clinic Arizona

Tracey Henry, MD
Assistant Professor
Assistant Health Director of Grady Primary Care
Emory University School of Medicine

Neeta Jain, MD Mayo Clinic Arizona

Kathryn Jobbins, MD Assistant Professor of Medicine, Associate Program Director of Internal Medicine Residency UMMS-Baystate

Daniel Kim, MD Clinical Professor, Health Sciences Director, UC Riverside Medical School Internal Medicine Program

Jewel Kling, MD Mayo Clinic Arizona

Mary Lee, MD, MACP
Professor of Medicine
Tufts University School of Medicine

Alice Lin, MD Raleigh Eye Center

John Matulis, MD Mayo Clinic Rochester

Jennifer Bacani McKenney, MD University of Kansas Medical Center Dana Nguyen, MD
Chair, Department of Family Medicine
Uniformed Services University, School of Medicine

Ana Núñez, MD, FACP University of Minnesota

Avital O'Glasser, MD Associate Professor; Assistant Program Director (OHSU IM residency); Medical Director of the Pre-Op Clinic Oregon Health Sciences University School of Medicine

Ranna Parekh, MD American College of Cardiology

Brittane Parker, MD Mayo Clinic, Phoenix

Marianne Parshley, MD Governor, American College of Physicians (ACP) Oregon chapter

Kenny Poole, MD Mayo Clinic Arizona

Simha Ravven, MD Howard Center

Krystal Renszel, MD Mayo Clinic Arizona

Kaori Sakurai, MD, FACP Washington University in St. Louis

Dawn Sears, MD Baylor, Scott & White

Amit Shah, MD Mayo Clinic Arizona

Vanessa Dimayuga Smith, MD Mayo Clinic Arizona

Luanne Thorndyke, MD Keck School of Medicine USC

Zoe Tseng, MD, FACP Brigham and Womens Hospital Karen Wang, MD
Assistant Professor
Equity Research and Innovation Center and Yale Center for Medical
Informatics

Navy Lt. Cmdr Karen Zeman, MD Walter Reed National Military Medical Center-Internal Medicine

Resident Division Awards



Charlotte Edwards Maguire, MD Outstanding Resident Mentor Award - Devika Gandhi, MD

Devika Gandhi is a third-year internal medicine resident at Indiana University. She is originally from Dayton, Ohio and received her undergraduate degree from the University of Akron and medical degree from Northeast Ohio Medical University in Rootstown, Ohio. After residency, she will be pursuing gastroenterology/hepatology fellowship at Loma Linda University in California.



Susan L. Ivey, MD Courage to Lead Award - Abhita Reddy, MD MBA

Abhita Reddy, MD MBA is completing her role as chief resident in Northwestern McGaw Department of Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery. She came to Northwestern by way of LSU School of Medicine where she was awarded AOA & Gold Humanism. Throughout residency, Abhita has significantly improved the female trainee experience by establishing a resident recruitment committee, starting a women's oto group within her program, and mentoring female students & residents. She has demonstrated her commitment to leadership in academics by pursuing a certificate in Medical Education and an MBA at Kellogg School of Management.



Elinor T. Christiansen, MD Altruism Award – Bridget Lang Findlay, MD

Dr. Bridget Findlay is a second year Urology resident at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. She currently serves as a resident member on the AUA North Central Section Women in Urology Committee. Her clinical interests include transitional urology, specifically related to the care of adolescent and adult patients with congenital urologic conditions. She is passionate about medical education and the promotion of women pursuing surgical subspecialties. She earned her undergraduate degree in Biochemistry from the University of Rochester and medical degree from Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.



Susan Love Writing Contest – Ovini Rodrigo, MD, MSc

Ovini Rodrigo, MD, MSc has been an avid writer since she was young. During medical school at FAU, she was inducted into the Gold Humanism Honor Society and received an honorable mention in the Hope Babette Tang Humanism in Healthcare essay contest. She is currently a second year pediatric resident at Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital in their Primary Care Leaders Addressing and Evaluating Disparities (L.E.A.D.) program. She plans to pursue a fellowship in academic general pediatrics with a concentration in medical education.



Vivian E. Shih GME Scholar Award – Shilpa Darivemula, MD, MS

Dr. Shilpa Darivemula is an Obstetrics and Gynecology resident at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center. She is a graduate of the Leadership in Medicine program at Union College and then Albany Medical School. Dr. Darivemula is passionate about blending classical and cultural arts, medical humanities, and women's healthcare to create a more culturally humble field of women's healthcare. She served as the 2016 AMWA Artist-in-Residence, co-led Studio AMWA, and helped co-create the AMWA Dance and Theater Arts Task Force. Dr. Darivemula also co-founded the Aseemkala Initiative, an organization that uses classical Indian dance

and other cultural arts to improve health equity for women. This work has been presented at APHA, International Human Rights and Arts Festival, Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) at the UN, and published in *Intima: Journal of Narrative Medicine, in-House, BMJ* Blogs, and the *AMA Journal of Ethics*.

Medical Student Division Awards



Eliza Lo Chin Unsung Hero Award - Alyssa Brown

Alyssa Brown grew up in Chattanooga, TN. She went to Centre College for a B.S. in Biology and minor in History, where she did research under Dr. Jessica Wooten. She was accepted into University of Louisville School of Medicine. She fell in love with surgery after seeing her mentor perform an anoplasty during the first year of medical school. In July 2018, she finished her third year of medical school and moved to Minnesota to get a PhD, before finishing her MD. She is receiving her MD degree from University of

Louisville School of Medicine, and her PhD in Biomedical Engineering and Physiology at Mayo Clinic School of Biomedical Sciences. She is currently working on research projects involving pediatric ulcer disease, diaphragm sarcopenia, and benign breast disease. She was president of her local American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) chapter at University of Louisville for two years. She became the Chair of AMWA Social Media and Branding in 2018 through present. She has grown the AMWA Instagram from 2k followers to 39k followers. Last year, she helped start the AMWA Infertility Committee, where she is the medical student co-chair. When she is busy, you will probably find her in the pediatric surgery OR, baking sweets and pastries that she saw on "Great British Bake-Off," or off on an adventure.



Eliza Lo Chin Unsung Hero Award – Irene Kalbian

Irene is currently a fourth-year medical student and aspiring physiatrist at Sidney Kimmel Medical College in Philadelphia, PA. She received her BA from Columbia University in 2013, and prior to matriculating at SKMC she worked as a research coordinator in NYC. While working as a research coordinator Irene was surrounded by positive female role models who

helped her carve a path into medicine, and this led her to develop an interest in mentorship. Irene was introduced to AMWA during her first year of medical school when she joined her school's chapter, and she was excited to take on organizing mentorship initiatives on the local and national levels. As the medical student chair of AMWA's Mentorship Committee for the past three years, she has served on a team with her cochairs creating mentorship content to help AMWA members find training and career guidance. Outside of AMWA, Irene's extracurricular interests include research projects in pain management and periprosthetic joint infection. In her free time she enjoys competitive distance running and long walks with her greyhound Winston.



Eliza Lo Chin Unsung Hero Award – Morgan Levy

Morgan Levy is a first-year medical student in the MD and Master's in Public Health Program at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine. She graduated from Lafayette College in 2019 with a Bachelor of Science in Biology, with a minor and honors in Psychology. Prior to medical school, Morgan served as an AmeriCorps member at Zufall Community Health Center. Morgan became involved with AMWA serving as an MWIA Conference Ambassador in 2019, inspired by the unique, powerful community

of women in medicine that the organization fosters. Currently, Morgan is the Medical Student Executive Chair of the AMWA Physician Fertility Committee, and the Chief Data Officer of the AMWA Social Media and Branding Committee. Her current extracurriculars include serving as a Reproductive Health Advocate and conducting research at Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center. Morgan is passionate about gender equity in medicine, infertility, and gynecologic cancers and plans to pursue a career in Obstetrics and Gynecology. Morgan's hobbies include kickboxing, cooking, reading, and hanging out with her cat, Kacey. Connect with Morgan on Twitter @morganslevy.



Eliza Lo Chin Unsung Hero Award - Arielle Roberts

Arielle Roberts is a fourth year medical student at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM), and will be pursuing a career in General Surgery. Arielle's interest in female representation in medicine began when she joined AMWA as a medical student. She has since dedicated her time to volunteerism, serving her community, and mentoring the next generation of female physicians. She has been an instrumental leader as the National Student Chair of AWMA's charitable arm, the American Women's Hospitals Service. She pioneered a social media campaign, raised awareness about global health, and

initiated fundraisers that provided healthcare necessities to women and children around the globe. She has also mentored rising medical students in the pre-medical division. She is the President of PCOM's Gold Humanism Honor Society, a National organization which recognizes medical professionals that are exemplars of humanistic medicine. Arielle is grateful for the incredible women that she has met during her time in AMWA, and hopes to continue to be an inspiration for forthcoming women, as she begins the next chapter of her career.



Linda Brodsky MD Essay Award – Tiffany Marie Ramos

Tiffany Marie Ramos is currently an MS2 at the Icahn School of Medicine. She graduated from Harvard University in 2016, cum laude in Neurobiology Honors. Before medical school, Tiffany worked for the Boston Consulting Group and looks forward to building upon her experience in the healthcare industry in pursuit of a dual MD-MPP degree. Tiffany grew up in Jamaica, Queens by two immigrant parents, her mother from Colombia and father from Puerto Rico, and "by a stroke of luck" attended competitive exam school Hunter College High School. Tiffany considers her greatest accomplishment to be founding the first

inclusion-focused student group at HCHS, Advocating Cultural Ties, active to-date and for which she received the prestigious Gloria Fleischer Cohen Award, "presented to students who are morally mature and whose leadership reflects acting with the welfare of others clearly in mind." When not studying, advocating, or caring for others, Tiffany enjoys hiking with her rescue pitbull Mochi, watching "bingeworthy" TV with friends and family, practicing yoga, and baking vegan goodies that don't taste vegan.



Shobha S. Krishnan HPV and Cervical Cancer Champion Award – Rachel Anderson

Rachel is a medical student at UMass Medical School (Class of 2022) who is passionate about improving access to care for underserved populations. As a medical student, she became interested in cervical cancer prevention when she learned that many of the patients at her local free medical programs had no access to HPV vaccination or cervical cancer screening. She now works within her own community to study barriers to cervical cancer screening among different populations and within the global community to promote awareness for prevention of HPV-related cancers. Rachel Anderson is the chair of Global Initiative Against HPV and Cervical Cancer (GIAHC) Young Leader's Program. Her other areas of focus within the medical field

include combating human trafficking and healthcare policy reform, and she is an active leader in Physicians Against Trafficking Humans (PATH), AMWA's Advocacy Committee, and the Massachusetts Medical Society. She plans pursue family medicine so that she can form trusting relationships with her patients, provide care across generations, and address the socioeconomid and environmental factors that influence health within a community.



Medical Education Scholarship – Jackie Benayoun

Jackie is a fourth-year medical student at SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University in Brooklyn, NY. She received a bachelor's degree in biochemistry at Yeshiva University and worked as a clinical research coordinator in the oncology department at Columbia University Medical Center during her gap year. Jackie is currently working as a research assistant in the Downstate OBGYN Health Equity Department and is very passionate about women's health. She feels equally strongly about promoting female leadership and

mentorship for her future physician- colleagues and has happily served as AMWA vice president for her school's branch. She plans to integrate her interests in clinical research and health care advocacy in her career and hopes to continue her involvement in AMWA as a resident. In her free time, she enjoys cooking, working out (self-defense and ballet-barre), and spending time with her nieces and nephews!



Medical Education Scholarship - Elizabeth Kim

Elizabeth Kim is a third year medical student at CUNY School of Medicine in New York City. She's been a member of AMWA since last year and is currently part of the AMWA Student Social Media Team. She is interested in going into anesthesiology with a special interest in academic medicine.



Medical Education Scholarship – Rachel Souza

Rachel Souza is a second year DO student at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. She was born and raised in Rhode Island. Before starting medical school, she completed her undergraduate degree in Neuroscience at Brown University and pursued her Master's Degree in Behavioral and Social Health Sciences at Brown's School of Public Health. During this time, she also worked on several clinical trials in the field of addiction medicine and worked as a medical scribe in the Emergency Departments across RI.

When taking a study break, she can be found baking cookies or attempting a new workout!



Medical Education Scholarship – Megan Sullivan

Megan Sullivan is in her first year as a DO Student at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. She is involved with the AMWA Chapter on PCOM's Campus, serving as the National Liaison. Outside of AMWA, she serves as the Class President for the DO Class of 2024, a DO Student Ambassador for PCOM as well as the Secretary for this group, and is an active member of the Association of Women Surgeons national organization. Her favorite hobbies include trying new restaurants in Philadelphia,

playing with her puppy, hanging out with friends and family, and playing soccer.



Heller Outstanding Branch Award - Oakland University William Beaumont

AMWA at OUWB strives to advance women in medicine and improve women's health through developing skills in leadership, advocacy, education, expertise, and mentoring, and through building strategic alliances. As our medical school's *first* established on-campus organization in 2011, we have grown substantially throughout the yearsbecoming one of the most active organizations at OUWB. For the 2019-2020 academic year, AMWA at OUWB aimed to host a variety of events to provide our members and broader community with opportunities to mentor younger

generations and to seek advice from strong female role models within the medical field. This year's notable accomplishments include launching a "Women in STEM" social media campaign that showcases student and faculty members of the OUWB community, workshops to help undergraduate students apply to medical school, participating in the AMWA Opioid Addiction in Women Task Force, Valentine Grams with medical fund-raiser. Funds benefitted HAVEN, a comprehensive shelter for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Pre-medical Student Division Awards



Student of the Year Award – Maya Roytman

Maya is a sophomore undergraduate at Loyola University Chicago studying Neuroscience and Public Health on the pre-health track. She is the co-president of Loyola's Public Health Club and the co-founder and co-president of the American Medical Women's Association branch on campus. She joined AMWA as a national member earlier this year and became involved as the Spotlight Chair in the Dance, Theater, and Medicine Committee, the Pre-Med Research Chair on the Physician Infertility Initiative, and was involved in the 2021 Conference Planning Committee. In her free time she enjoys dancing, watching movies,

and spending time outdoors!



Premedical Branch Member of the Year Award – Danielle DuPuis

Danielle DuPuis is a third-year undergraduate in the University of Florida Honors Program with a major in Microbiology and Cell Sciences, minor in Spanish, and certificate of Music in Medicine. She is president of the UF uAMWA Premedical Branch, member of the AMWA Music and Medicine Committee, and founder of Music Meets Medicine for Veterans, an initiative

which virtually connects Veteran patients with student and physician musicians alike through the power and joy of music. She is incredibly grateful for the support of AMWA and UF uAMWA in her path to becoming a physician.



Eliza Lo Chin Unsung Hero Award – Lori Horhor

Lori Horhor graduated from the University of California, Berkeley in the Spring of 2020, with a Bachelor of Arts in Molecular and Cell Biology and a minor in Music. She has been devoted to AMWA since 2017 and currently serves as the Secretary of the Premedical Division and the Student Chair of the Music and Medicine Committee. She also loves to work with underprivileged children through organizations including the School on Wheels and the Hidden Road Initiative. She hopes to attend medical school and is excited to work toward her dream of becoming a physician.



Premedical Education Scholarship - Neha Balachandran

Neha is a senior at the University of Alabama at Birmingham doing a dual-degree program. She will graduate in May 2021 with a B.S. in Neuroscience with minors in Chemistry and Spanish, and a M.S. in Multidisciplinary Biomedical Sciences with a concentration in Neuroscience. Her future goals are to attend medical school and become a primary care physician working in Public Health to aid underserved populations. In her free time, she loves to paint, draw, and play with her Yorkie, Oliver.



Premedical Education Scholarship – Sahara Rahman

My name is Sahara Rahman and I am a first generation college student from Arizona. I am currently a third year student majoring in Biological Sciences at Arizona State University. I am the Co-President of two organizations at my university: That's On Period and Once Upon a Time. I am also an undergraduate researcher for the Arizona Twin Project under the Child Emotion Center/Lemery Lab. I plan to apply for medical school my senior year and take a gap year. I'd like to do this to gain more experience and to better prepare myself for medical school.



AMWA Outstanding Branch Award and Active Branch Award – AMWA Pre-Med Chapter at University of Southern California

The AMWA Pre-Med Chapter at USC, established in Spring 2020, focuses on advocacy, education, and mentorship to support women in medicine and improve health care. Our branch provides valuable opportunities, such as a mentorship program with the AMWA Chapter at USC Keck, discussions with guest speakers about life in medical

school and as a health care professional, and volunteering through activities like making cards for frontline workers. We also emphasize the importance of speaking up and sharing knowledge about current national and international events. We look forward to growing our branch and continuing to encourage women in health care!



AMWA Active Branch Award - Drexel AMWA

Drexel AMWA firmly believes that all women have the power to pursue their dreams. Our organization works to provide every possible resource available to help our members excel in their field. We are more than a group of individuals. We are a family who want nothing more than to see each other succeed. We are truly grateful for this award, as the recognition gives us the strength to keep moving forward.



Best Branch Event Award and International Outreach Award – UPenn AMWA

UPenn AMWA, founded in 2016 as Penn Future Women in Health, is the official division of the American Medical Women's Association at the University of Pennsylvania. The club aims to promote and support Penn students' personal and professional development on their journeys to becoming healthcare professionals. We have created events ranging from our Book Club dedicated to discussing racial disparities in medicine, to community service and international outreach in Khayelitsha South Africa, to offering tutoring opportunities, and hosting physicians and accomplished women from a

myriad of backgrounds. Our goal is to give participants access to networking and mentorship opportunities, insight into the resources offered at the University and Hospital, and opportunities to give back to our community.



Humanitarian Branch Award - AMWA at the Louisiana State University at Shreveport

The AMWA at Louisiana State University at Shreveport (LSUS) branch was officially established on March 29th, 2019. Our members have constantly taken the initiative to support women at the local and national levels through our many service projects, including our annual Care Center Collections Drive (where we collected baby products to support new and expecting mothers in our community), and our Perfect Duo Bake Sale (where we spread awareness about Black

History Month and raised funds for the Black Girls CODE and Innocence Project). It has been an honor to support women in healthcare through our branch's initiatives, and we are very excited to continue our services through our sustained efforts!