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Victor Cotton, MD, JD

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Christine Herde, MD, FACOG
Maura Reinblatt, MD, FACS

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John P. Curtin, MD, FACOG

Nexplanon® Certificate Workshop
Saturday, October 22
8:30 - 10:30am

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OB/GYN POSTGRADUATE CONFERENCE
Preterm Birth: At the Edge of Viability

Special Events
Pre-conference Meet and Greet with Dr. Bianco and University of Iowa Faculty
Iowa Alumni Society Meeting
Iowa ACOG Section Meeting

Friday
November 4, 2016
hotelVetro
201 S. Linn Street
Iowa City, Iowa

Provided by:
The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology,
University of Iowa Roy J. and Lucille A. Carver College of Medicine
Intended Audience:
Physicians, Nurses, Physician Assistants, Nurse Midwives, Women’s Health Care Providers.

Educational Objectives:
Upon completion of this program, the learner should be able to:
- Discuss how to apply the recent research findings in periviable birth in the counseling of patients who are at risk in regards to options, potential outcomes, and controversies.
- Identify the most up to date care in the management of preterm labor.
- Describe management options for preterm/periviable birth in the state of Iowa.
- Discuss preterm births when complications in pregnancy and labor occur from the patient’s perspective.
- Discuss case studies on the controversies of preterm/periviable birth.
- Discuss how to implement current ideas from research projects into clinical practice.
- Define advances in evaluating the fetal genome in utero.
- Explain how family planning can reduce future poor obstetric outcomes.

Registration Fees
The fee is $325 for physicians and $175 for nurses and allied health care professionals. Adjunct faculty and retired physicians may register for $100. All fees include registration, instruction and educational materials, CME and CEU recording, evening reception, continental breakfast, refreshment breaks and lunch.

While registration is open until the start of the conference, we encourage early registration to enable us to provide the best possible service to participants.

Continuing Education Credit
The University of Iowa Roy J. and Lucille A. Carver College of Medicine is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Physician: The University of Iowa Roy J. and Lucille A. Carver College of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 6.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Nurse: 7.8 contact hours will be granted by UI Hospitals and Clinics Department of Nursing (IBN Approved Provider #34). Participants must attend the entire program to receive full credit. Questions concerning nursing credits should be directed to the Nursing Clinical Education Center at (319) 356-4304.

Special Events
A pre-conference meet and greet with Dr. Bianco and University of Iowa Faculty will be held Thursday, November 3, at 6:00 pm in the downstairs lounge at Orchard Green, 521 S. Gilbert Street, Iowa City.

On Friday, November 4, the Iowa Alumni Society will meet at 1:00 pm and the Iowa ACOG Section Meeting will be at 4:15 pm.

Parking
Parking is available in the ramp adjacent to the hotel at prevailing rates. The ramp is on the corner of Burlington and Dubuque Streets. The cost is approximately $9 per day.

Housing
Participants are responsible for making their own hotel reservations and may do so by contacting hotelVetro at (319) 337-4961, the Sheraton Iowa City Hotel at (319) 337-4058, or any other hotel in the Iowa City area. Rates are not guaranteed.
EMERGENCY CALLS
You may be reached during conference hours for emergency calls at (319) 337-4961. Please have the caller identify the OB/Gyn conference.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:
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Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to attend all University of Iowa sponsored events. If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to participate in this program, please contact the Continuing Medical Education Division in advance at 319/335-8599.

PROGRAM FACULTY

GUEST FACULTY
Y. Katherine Bianco, MD
Clinical Associate Professor
Obstetrics and Gynecology
Maternal Fetal Medicine
Stanford University
Stanford, CA

Alissa Jarrett
Family Advisory Committee member
University of Iowa Stead Family Children’s Hospital
Previous Maternal Fetal Medicine patient and NICU Mom
Iowa City, IA

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA HEALTH CARE FACULTY
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Adrianne Mallen, MD
Abigail Mancuso, MD
Sarah Wernimont, MD, PhD
Heather Williams, MD
**Thursday, November 3, 2016**  
Orchard Green (Downstairs Lounge)  
521 S. Gilbert Street, Iowa City, IA  
6:00 pm Pre-conference Meet and Greet with Dr. Bianco and University of Iowa Faculty

**Friday, November 4, 2016**  
hotelVetro  
201 S. Linn Street  
Iowa City, Iowa  
7:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast  
7:30 Welcome and Announcements  
Kimberly K. Leslie, MD  
Mark Santillan, MD, PhD  
7:45 Periviable Birth: Current Update  
Katherine Bianco, MD  
8:30 The Tiniest Babies: Treatment Decisions and Outcomes Near the Limit of Viability  
Edward Bell, MD  
9:15 Preterm and Periviable Birth Management Options for Iowa Providers  
Heather Anaya, DO  
10:00 Break  
10:30 More than Medicine: A Patient’s Perspective on Preterm Birth  
Alissa Jarrett; Sheila Frascht, BSN, RN, CHPPN, CPLC  
11:15 Panel Discussion/Q&A: Controversies in Perivable and Preterm Birth  
Edward Bell, MD; Tarah Colaizy, MD, MPH; Glenda Rabe MD, MME; Steven McEIlroy MD; Katherine Bianco MD; Heather Anaya DO; Andrea Greiner MD; Mark Santillan MD, PhD  
12:00 Lunch  
1:00 University of Iowa Alumni Society Meeting  
1:30 Resident Research Presentations  
Development and Implementation of Guided, Self-Directed Learning Modules in Graduate Medical Education  
Michael Haugsdal, MD  
Elective Single Embryo Transfer in Women Under Age 38 Reduces Multiple Birth Rates, but Not Live Birth Rates in United States Fertility Clinics  
Abigail Mancuso, MD  
The Impact of Time and Team on Primary Cytoreduction Outcomes  
Adrienne Mallen, MD  
Elevated CCL2 (chemokine C-C motif ligand 2) Early in Pregnancy is Associated with Increased Risk of Preeclampsia in Obese Parturients  
Sarah Wernimont, MD, PhD  
Postpartum Contraception Acceptance and Readiness Study  
Heather Williams, MD  
2:45 Non Invasive Prenatal Testing: Are You Ready to Learn About Your Baby Genome?  
Katherine Bianco, MD  
3:30 Prevention of Future Poor Obstetric Outcomes  
Stephanie Radke, MD  
4:15 Adjourn

**ACOG Iowa Section Meeting**

Determination of educational content for this program and the selection of speakers are responsibilities of the program director. Firms providing financial support did not have input in these areas.

DISCLOSURE POLICY: Everyone in a position to control the content of this educational activity will disclose to the CME provider and to attendees all relevant financial relationships with any commercial interest.
REGISTRATION
Ob/Gyn Postgraduate Conference
Friday, November 4, 2016

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Date ____________________________

Registration Fees
For on-site registration an additional fee of $25 will be added.

Physician $325________
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Adjunct Faculty $100________
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Fellow $75________
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On-site registration $25________

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Online: www.medicine.uiowa.edu/cme
and click on Upcoming Conferences

For additional information on this program and other upcoming CME events at the UI Carver College of Medicine, please visit http://www.medicine.uiowa.edu/cme/
OB/GYN POSTGRADUATE CONFERENCE

Preterm Birth: At the Edge of Viability

Friday, November 4, 2016

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201 S. Linn Street, Iowa City, Iowa
Sunday, November 13, 2016

7:00-8:00 am Buffet Family Breakfast
8:00-9:00 am Zika virus: this era’s rubella
                    Sarah Park, MD, MPH
9:00-10:00 am Update on anal cytology
                    Pam Tauchi-Nishi, MD
10:00-10:30 am Break
10:30-11:15 am Controversies in vaginal rejuvenation: pro laser
                    Aya Sultan, MD, PhD
11:15-12:00 pm Concerns regarding the use of laser to treat vulvovaginal atrophy
                    Karen Soules, MD
12:00-12:30 pm Panel discussion on vaginal rejuvenation
                    Aya Sultan, MD, PhD and Karen Soules, MD
12:30 pm Adjourn

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Preliminary Program

ACOG Hawaii (Guam & American Samoa) Section
29th Annual OB-GYN Update
November 11 - 13, 2016 (Friday/Saturday/Sunday)
Turtle Bay Resort
Kahuku, Hawaii

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Disclosure of Faculty and Industry Relationships

In accordance with College policy, all faculty and planning committee members have signed a conflict of interest statement in which they have disclosed any significant financial interests or other relationships with industry relative to topics they will discuss at this program. At the beginning of the program, faculty members are required to disclose any such information to participants. Such disclosure allows you to evaluate better the objectivity of the information presented in lectures. Please report on your evaluation form any undisclosed conflict of interest you perceive.
The American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists - Hawaii Section invites you to attend our 29th annual educational program at The Turtle Bay Resort in Kahuku, Hawaii. This three-day lecture series will offer several topics of interest for the practicing OB/GYN. At the conclusion of this program, participants will:

- Describe licensure and legal issues surrounding telemedicine
- Name 3 risk factors that make planned home birth undesirable
- Understand issues of planned out of hospital births from the practitioners point of view
- Formulate methods and protocols that may make for safer home births
- Identify patients for whom 17 alpha-hydroxyprogesterone caproate (17P) treatment is indicated for the prevention of preterm birth
- Review the recommendations for management of endometrial hyperplasia /EIN
- Review the Ob/Gyn’s role in screening for substance use disorders before, during, and after pregnancy
- Counsel patients on treatment options for opioid use disorders and refer to higher levels of care if necessary
- Review measures to prevent Zika infection and the management of pregnant women potentially infected with Zika
- Comprehend current roles of HPV testing and biomarkers in anal cancer screening
- Describe current evidence supporting use of laser as a treatment modality in vulvovaginal atrophy
- Identify possible ethical concerns with the use of laser to treat vulvovaginal atrophy
- Develop a treatment plan for vulvovaginal atrophy

**Total of 11.75 CME Credits**
REGISTRATION FORM
American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
Hawaii (Guam & American Samoa) Section

29th Annual Hawaii ACOG Ob-Gyn Update Meeting
November 11, 12 & 13, 2016 (Friday, Saturday & Sunday)
The Turtle Bay Resort, Kahuku – Oahu, Hawaii

Early Bird Registration Deadline - Postmarked by October 10, 2016

Name:__________________________________________________________
Address:_______________________________________________________
City:_____________________ State:____________ Zip code:____________
Business Phone:_______________ Cell Phone:_______________________
Fax:_______________________ Email:_______________________________

REGISTRATION FEE:

* Early Bird Hawaii Section MD (by Oct 10: $325) $__________________
* Hawaii Section MD (after October 10: $400) $__________________
* Early Bird Non-Hawaii Section MD (by Oct 10: $450) $_________________
* Non-Hawaii Section MD (after October 10: $500) $__________________
* Nurses, Allied Health Professionals, Medical Students and Other ($250) $__________________

*INCLUDED for Registrant Only: all breakfasts (incl. Family Brkfst), meeting breaks, one dinner banquet - Tickets at Registration
*May purchase Hawaii ACOG Jacket for additional fee by October 10 deadline (see below)

DINNER BANQUET (Nov 12 Sat) ADDITIONAL GUEST:
Adult/Child > 12 years ($95): Addn’l Guest #___________ Total $______________
Child 5 – 12 years ($45): Addn’l Guest #___________ Total $______________
Child 4 years or less (no charge): Addn’l Guest #_______

Breakfast (Nov 11 Fri) ADDITIONAL GUEST:
$40 per person: Addn’l Guest #_______ Total $______________

Breakfast (Nov 12 Sat) ADDITIONAL GUEST:
$40 per person: Addn’l Guest #_______ Total $______________

Registration Form - Hawaii ACOG Educational Meeting
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FAMILY BREAKFAST (Nov 13 Sun) ADDITIONAL GUEST:

Adult/Child > 12 years ($40): Addn’l Guest #_______ Total $______________
Children 5 – 12 years ($20): Addn’l Guest #_______ Total $______________
Children 4 year or less (no charge): Addn’l Guest #_______

Total Amount Enclosed: $______________
(Registration Fee plus Additional Guest Meals Fee = Total)
Check or money order made payable to: Hawaii ACOG

Print, Complete & Mail Registration Form
with Payment to:
Hawaii ACOG
 c/o Jay Gomes
 98-1079 Moanalua Rd.
  Ste# 490
  Aiea, Hawaii  96701

Hawaii ACOG Jacket for Purchase
Must be ordered by October 10

Email Hawaii ACOG Administrative Assistant Ms. Jay Gomes to order your jacket. Specify Women’s or Men’s, Size, Jacket. Estimated cost $35 each, payable on receipt of jacket at meeting.

Meeting Syllabus

Meeting Syllabus will be distributed via flash drive at Registration.

Contact Information:

Any questions, please email Ms. Gomes at: ACOG.Hawaii.Jay@hawaiiantel.net

Mahalo – we look forward to seeing you on Oahu!
Team Hawaii ACOG
Save the Date

Friday, December 2, 2016

Minneapolis Marriott Southwest

Minnesota Section ACOG Annual Autumn Seminar

Highlights include:
- Zika virus
  Cresta Jones, MD
- Opioid use in pregnancy
  Gavin Bart, MD
- Postpartum LARC
  Melissa Kottke, MD
- Integrative medicine panel

Register online at mnacogfallmeeting2016.eventbrite.com

-Scientific Session-
Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Mark your calendar now for MNACOG’s Annual Fall Meeting to be held on Friday, December 2, 2016. Our meeting will feature interactive presentations on a variety of topics of interest to general obstetricians and gynecologists including Zika virus, postpartum LARC, integrative medicine, and opioid use in pregnancy.

Plan to stick around - we’ll host a cocktail reception immediately after the scientific session on Friday.

-Meeting Location/Accommodations-

Our meeting will take place at The Minneapolis Marriott Southwest - 5801 Opus Parkway in Minnetonka, MN. We’ve booked a block of rooms at a discounted rate of $139 single/double. Please contact The Marriott directly at 952/935-5500 or 888/887-1681 by November 10 for reservations as a Minnesota ACOG meeting participant.

Watch your mail and email for more details!
January

Hot Topics
Informal opportunity for ACOG members/guests to learn about a “hot topic” through an interactive Q&A in an ‘intimate’ setting

Monday, January 30
Hors D’oeuvres, refreshments & beverages will be served.
Event will be at a member’s home in Denver.
TIME/LOCATION/TOPIC — TBD

February

Legislative Day
Spend the afternoon with your legislators discussing women’s health

Monday, February 27 – 11:30am-4:30pm
The Capitol Building, Denver. FREE EVENT, lunch included
Register now: www.acoglegislative2017.eventbrite.com

April

Gyn Conundrums
Case studies and breakfast in an interactive setting.

Saturday, April 29
Denver, location TBA

June

Summer Educational Symposium
An annual educational conference in the mountains

Friday, June 16 – Saturday, June 17
The Sonnenalp Hotel in Vail Village

October

Maternal Morbidity & Mortality Symposium
Thursday, October 19
Inverness Hotel
Englewood, CO (Denver area)

Registration links will be posted at:
www.acog.org/colorado
Apply for 2016 ACOG Advocacy Awards

ACOG's Government Affairs Department offers several award programs and fellowships in State, Federal and Political advocacy, opportunities for seasoned and new advocates to expand your advocacy and get recognition for impressive efforts. Information on these awards and other advocacy opportunities is available here.

**Junior Fellow Rising Star**

The Junior Fellow Rising Star in Advocacy Awards Program recognizes an outstanding advocacy project in the United States created and implemented by a Junior Fellow involving their institution, local community, state or federal legislation, or political advocacy – click here to view examples. The award is conferred at ACOG’s Congressional Leadership Conference (CLC). Award recipients will receive sponsorship of up to $1,000 to one ACOG CLC. Deadline: November 30th – click here for more information.

**State Legislative Awards (Section/District Legislative Chairs Only)**

ACOG’s Government Affairs Committee confers two awards annually to a Section or single-state District for an impressive state legislative accomplishment or improvement in the past year. These awards recognize both “advanced” states that already have a successful legislative program in place and “novice” states that are developing their legislative programs. Recipient states receive $1,000. The first awards were conferred in 2009. Deadline: November 30th – click here for more information.
Exciting Opportunity for California and Massachusetts Ob-Gyn Practices to Expand their Work on Immunizations

ACOG national leadership, ACOG Districts and ACOG Chapters strongly support this effort.

ACOG is now recruiting ob-gyn practices in Los Angeles County, California and Massachusetts to actively partner with ACOG to improve their immunization rates during a 3 year demonstration project. Through CDC grant funding, ACOG’s Immunization Program will work in partnership with these practices over the next 3 years, to increase adult immunization rates of pregnant and non-pregnant women. Practices will be asked to complete a limited number of project activities each year. This ACOG project is in collaboration with the California and Massachusetts’ Departments of Public Health to provide practices with free and local resources and support.

All practices will be invited to ACOG’s Annual Learning Lab at ACOG in Washington, DC to share success stories and lessons learned.

We encourage you to consider whether your practice might benefit from participating!

Benefits of Participation:
1. Learn new ways to assess patients for needed vaccines
2. Learn new systems to document and track immunizations to improve efficiency
3. Be recognized on state and National level as a leader in adult immunizations
4. Participate in an innovative project highlighting effective strategies for national replication
5. Financial incentives each year for reaching project milestones
6. Free ACOG and CDC Resources
7. Free CME Opportunities

Eligibility requirements:
1. ACOG membership
2. EHR system that can be used to track data requirements such as immunization rates
3. Serve both adult obstetrical and adult gynecology patients
4. Be willing to participate in state health department’s immunization registry
5. Commit to reporting out specific required data points and participate for all 3 years

If your practice is interested in participating please complete a brief questionnaire: HERE
visit www.immunizationforwomen.org/projects for more information
ACOG is proud to present the 19 Ob-Gyn Immunization Champions participating in the CDC-funded adult immunization project entitled: Increasing Immunization Rates through Obstetrician-Gynecologist Partnerships. These Immunization Champions will provide leadership for their practice as they further advance their immunization programs. The ACOG project will assist these Immunization Champions in developing additional tools and resources to increase the health of their patients, families, and office staff. The following is a list of the ACOG Ob-Gyn Immunization Champions and their practices:

**Immunization Champions in LA County, CA**

Diana Aldape, MD, Behavioral Health Services, Inc., Hawthorne
Carol Archie, MD, Linda Cowan, MD and Associates, Los Angeles
Richard Bardowell, MD, Richard Bardowell, MD, Burbank
Karla Iacampo, MD, Karla Iacampo, MD, Inc., Santa Monica
Samuel Kassar, MD, Woodglen Ob-Gyn Medical Group, Glendora
Deirdre Logan, MD, Watts Healthcare Corporation, Los Angeles
Ranoo Sabnis, MD, UCLA Westlake OB/GYN, Westlake Village
Laura Sirott, MD, Laura Sirott, MD, Pasadena
Ayanna Walden, MD, Ayanna Walden, MD, Beverly Hills

**Immunization Champions in Massachusetts**

Laura Bookman, MD, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston
Evelyn Bricklin Marsh, MD, New England OB/GYN Associates, Chestnut Hill
Khady Diouf, MD, Brigham and Women’s Outpatient Obstetrics Practice, Boston
Huma Farid, MD, Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital-Milton OB/GYN, Milton
Jennifer Kickham, MD, Massachusetts General Hospital Ob/Gyn, Boston
Katherine Marshall, MD, Brookline Women’s Health, Allston
Aaron Mendel, MD, Central Massachusetts OB/GYN Associates, Shrewsbury
Julie Miner, MD, Brigham/Faulkner Ob/Gyn Associates, Jamaica Plain
Marcus Ortega Alves, MD, University of Massachusetts Medical Center, Worcester
James Wang, MD, Wesson Women’s Group, Baystate Medical Center, Springfield

This project was made possible by the Cooperative Agreement Number, 1H23IP000981, funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Views expressed in written materials do not necessarily reflect the official views of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention or the Department of Health and Human Services nor does the mention of trade names, commercial practices, or organizations imply endorsement by the U.S. Government.
YOUNG PHYSICIANS, JUNIOR FELLOWS and MEDICAL STUDENTS

• Don’t forget to renew!!

• 2017 ACOG Junior Fellow Essay Contest

• The Pat Miller Junior Fellow Initiative Toolkit Award (JFIT)
As you embark on your career, can you afford to be without ACOG?

As part of the ACOG community, you can rest assured you’re current on the latest techniques and trends in the field.

Stay up to date—don’t let your member benefits lapse!

Your 2016/2017 membership dues are due now. Renew your membership today!

Some ACOG benefits our younger members particularly value:

**Clinical Practice Guidance**
Publications that provide the latest clinical practice guidance spanning committee opinions and evidenced-based document reviews. Available in print in the Green Journal, online, and in the ACOG app.

**Surgical Skills Improvement**
Resources to help you improve in this critical area including multimedia resources, live demonstrations, hands-on and postgraduate courses, clinical seminars, Green Journal articles, PROLOG, and safety checklists.

**Career Resources**
ACOG’s Career Connection website provides the largest collection of ob-gyn jobs, in-person career fairs, and tips and advice to manage your career.

**Engagement with Ob-Gyn Community**
Ample programs and opportunities to volunteer, mentor, network, and have your voice heard at the local, state, and federal government levels.

PAY DUES ONLINE NOW
“Advocacy, in the Clinic and Beyond”

2017 ACOG Junior Fellow Essay Contest

The Junior Fellow Congress Advisory Council (JFCAC) is seeking engaging essays on “Advocacy, in the Clinic and Beyond.”

In May, 2016, ACOG President Dr. Thomas Gellhaus announced his initiatives during convocation at the Annual Clinical and Scientific Meeting. He stressed that caring for patients does not end in the exam room or the surgical suite. He added, "Every ACOG member should care for your patients, your practices, your specialty by being an ACOG Advocate."

Share your thoughts and experiences (without mentioning specific patients or institutions) on how we, as Junior Fellows, ensure we care for the our patients, advocating for them in the clinic and beyond.

One prize winning essay will be selected. The winner will receive a $100 VISA gift card and their essay will be published in an upcoming issue of the Green Journal.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSIONS
Submit an essay (500-750 words) about “Advocacy, in the Clinic and Beyond” electronically in PDF or Word format to wproctor@acog.org.

Visit www.acog.org and click on ABOUT ACOG, then JUNIOR FELLOWS on the left side of the page or type Junior Fellows in the search engine found on the homepage.

CONTACT INFORMATION
Wanda Proctor
ACOG Department of Junior Fellows Services
Phone: 202-314-2344; Email: wproctor@acog.org

The deadline for submitting an essay is November 30, 2016.
The Pat Miller Junior Fellow Initiative Toolkit Award

As leaders, we are motivated, energized, passionate and we make a difference. Junior Fellow Initiatives are improving Women’s Health everywhere.

The Junior Fellow Congress Advisory Council (JFCAC) developed an award entitled, “The Pat Miller JFIT (Junior Fellow Initiative Toolkit) Award.”

A Junior Fellow Initiative is any project or program that you developed to make a difference for women and their health care providers including service projects such as supply drives, educational sessions, medical student recruitment, and lobby days.

A JFIT project is a detailed toolkit used to facilitate planning and carrying-out a specific Junior Fellow initiative.

The goal of the JFIT project is to compile these ideas, projects and programs and post them on the ACOG Junior Fellow Web page which will serve as an online resource accessible to all Junior Fellows for planning future initiatives.

One winner will be selected to receive $2,500 to present their toolkit at the Junior Fellow Breakfast/Business Meeting during the 2017 Annual Clinical & Scientific Meeting in San Diego, California, May 6-9, 2017.

ONLINE SUBMISSIONS ONLY
Click here to view the guidelines and to submit your JFIT project.

DEADLINE
The deadline for submitting your JFIT project on-line is November 30, 2016.

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POSTGRADUATE COURSES, CODING WORKSHOPS and WEBCASTS

- **Webcast** – Preview of New Codes and Medicare Changes for 2017, 12/13

- **PG Course**—Quality and Safety for Leaders in Women’s Health Care – 4/6-8/2017 - *This course is primarily intended for current and future leaders in obstetrics and gynecology in the inpatient or outpatient setting, as well as their team members. Because this course has sold out several times in the past, early registration is encouraged.*

- **2017 Coding Workshops**

- **Here** is a list of all upcoming CME opportunities
ACOG Webcast: December 13, 2016

PREVIEW OF NEW CODES AND MEDICARE CHANGES FOR 2017

Date: December 13, 2016

Time:
- 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM ET
- 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM CT
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- 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM PT

Faculty:
Emily Hill, PA

Register:
Click on Education and Events at www.acog.org. Preview of New Codes and Medicare Changes for 2017

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course will present a preview of the key coding changes for 2017 impacting an OB/GYN practice. Key CMS initiatives for 2017 will be reviewed along with the background information necessary to understand the rationale and goals of these initiatives. The course will also review proposed alternative payment models and the trends impacting future reimbursement by all payers for physician services.

Upon completion of this session, the attendee should be able to:

- Identify the new and revised CPT-4 and ICD-10 codes important for OB/GYN practices
- Assess the impact of major CMS initiatives for 2017 to an OB/GYN practice
- Summarize current proposals and ideas for future alternative payment models

COST: $25 per attendee (Each participant must be registered to receive CME or CEU credits)

WEBCAST INFORMATION
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- Screening for Interpersonal and Domestic Violence
- Breast Cancer Screening for Average Risk Women

More information about WPSI, including new topic nomination, participating organizations, and public comment submissions can be found at womenspreventivehealth.org

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- The Junior Fellows Society was created exclusively for Junior Fellows in Training, Junior Fellows in Training Fellowship, and Junior Fellows in Practice. To encourage and acknowledge your philanthropic dedication to women’s health in what may be challenging financial times, membership in this society is offered to those who donate $250 per year. The Junior Fellows Society offers its members access to the Donor Lounge and on-site fast-track registration at the annual meeting. This is a great opportunity to meet College leaders, seek mentorship, and build new friendships with Fellows.

- The Schmitz Society, honoring Dr. Herbert E. Schmitz, the first treasurer of the Executive Board of Directors of the College, is reserved for those who donate $100. Schmitz Society members receive a distinctive ribbon to wear at the annual meeting and are recognized in all print materials.

In 2017, I would like to be a member of the

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☐ $250 Junior Fellows Society  ☐ $100 Schmitz Society

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The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists has the following immunization resources for patients and providers. You can access all of this and more on ACOG’s Immunization for Women website.

**Immunization Resources at immunizationforwomen.org**

ACOG Immunization Toolkits: access all toolkits at immunizationforwomen.org/toolkits

- Immunization Resources for Ob-Gyns: A Comprehensive Toolkit
  - Immunizations and Routine Obstetric–Gynecologic Care: A Guide for Providers and Patients
  - FAQs for Patients Concerning Vaccine Safety
  - Providers FAQs Concerning Vaccine Safety
  - Immunization Coding for Obstetrician–Gynecologists 2013
  - Adult Immunization Record Card

Tdap Immunization Toolkit:
- FAQs for Patients Concerning Tdap Vaccination - Provider FAQs
- Physician Script and Coding Information

Influenza Immunization during Pregnancy Toolkit:
- Flu Shot for Pregnant Patients: FAQs
- Provider FAQs
- Physician Script and Coding Information

HPV Immunization Toolkit:
- FAQs for Patients Concerning HPV Vaccination - Provider FAQs
- Physician Script and Coding Information

ACOG Immunization Committee Opinions:
- Integrating Immunizations Into Practice (CO #558) April 2013
- Update on Immunization and Pregnancy: Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis Vaccination (CO #566) June 2013
- Influenza Vaccination During Pregnancy (CO #608) Sept. 2014
- Human Papillomavirus Vaccination (CO #641) Sept. 2015

ACOG Immunization Webinars: access all webinars at immunizationforwomen.org/webinars
- Immunization Business & Clinical Strategies for Ob-Gyn Practices
- The Ob-Gyns Role in Influenza Prevention
- Give it Your Best Shot: Adult Vaccinations for Ob-Gyn Providers
- Tdap Vaccination in Pregnancy: a Mother’s Gift To Her Baby
- The Power to Prevent Cancer: Important Updates on HPV Vaccine
The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists’ immunization website, Immunization for Women, was created to provide ob-gyns and their patients with a central, trusted source of up-to-date information about immunizations and vaccine-preventable diseases.

It is our goal to empower women with the knowledge they need to make informed decisions about immunizations and to provide ob-gyns with a valuable resource for immunization best practices and patient education.

On the website you can find information on the following:

» Up to date immunization recommendations for adult and adolescent females

» Specific immunization information for pregnant and breastfeeding women

» Details on proper immunization coding and reimbursement

» Information on how to set up and expand an office-based immunization program

» Latest news and alerts