



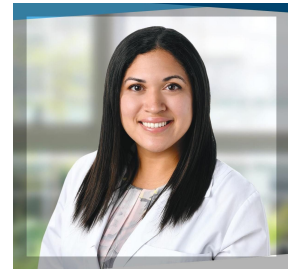
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October 2022

President Message

Happy Halloween APAOG members!

I have some treats to share for this month. We now have three women's health fellowships with the addition of Arizona's Gynecology Surgery Fellowship at Mayo Clinic and Atrium Health. We now have more options to obtain more specialty-specific care in OBGYN and increase our job opportunities and recognition. Brava to the program directors! Here at APAOG we are gearing up for our *in-person* annual conference in July 2023 planned to take place in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. We heard your feedback and will make it a fully interactive, hands-on experience to gain the skills you need to succeed. If you have any ideas, send them to apaog@badgerbay.co so we can try to include them. Also, a call for presenters will be coming out soon so consider sharing your expertise.



Additional activities going on at APAOG include building our task force on *Access to Reproductive Care (ARC)* and our task force on *Maternal Immunization (MI)* with the hopes of creating a clinical consensus manuscript, clinical infographics, and patient education material. Our next ARC meeting is scheduled for November 8th! We have also participated in several external committees including Free the Pill which supports over-the-counter progesterone pills for contraception. The FDA Advisory Committee will convene on November 18th, 2022 (OPILL (norgestrel) Tablet, 0.075 mg). Interestingly, the FDA Advisory Committee convened on October 17-19 to discuss the withdrawal of Makena for the prevention of preterm birth due to the lack of efficacy. Their final decision should be available in November.

I will conclude with encouragement to participate in our many educational platforms including webinars, podcasts, and the Artemis journal. Our last webinar showcased a new opportunity with the NIH All of US research team to become a researcher, use their dataset to answer clinical questions, and have the opportunity to publish. We encourage you to be the change you want to see and we will support you along the way.

Happy Autumn,
Melissa

Melissa Rodriguez, DMSc, PA-C

Latest News (click title to read)

- [New Mayo Clinic PA Fellowship](#)

Communications

The Artemis - Fall Issue Now Available!

APAOG is excited to release the fourth and final issue for the year of The Artemis: The Journal of the Association of PAs in OBGYN! This is a member-only benefit that is new in 2022. Visit our website to access the newest release, for more information, resources, ways to get involved, and to provide your feedback! We look forward to hearing from you in order to make the next issue even better.



What to Expect:

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APAOG Advocacy

Dave Mittman, PA-C

Female Sexuality

Christina Saldanha, PA-C

2022

Pathophysiology and Management of Abnormal Fetal Heart Rate Tracings

Elijah A.J. Salzer, DMSc, PA-C, NYSAFE, C-EFM

Optimizing healthcare for individuals in the sex work industry, poly/open relationships, and BDSM/kink communities

Aleece Fosnight, PA-C

Birth Control Without the Pill: Non-hormonal, female contraceptive options

Mari Chadwick, MPAP, PA-C

Diversity in Women's Health

LaDonna Clark, DMSc, PA-C

The Birthing Process

Melissa Rodriguez, DMSc, PA-C

What We Need to Know About STDs in Practice

Ami Steele, DMSc, PA-C, DFAAPA

2022 Virtual Conference - On Demand Recordings

The 2022 virtual conference was held April 29-30, 2022. All sessions were recorded and are available now to view. Registration is available for those who wish to access and did not previously register for the conference [Visit our website for more information and to register!](#)



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