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NASPOG 2006 Meeting

February 9-11, 2006

Hapuna Beach Prince Hotel

Kohala Coast, Hawaii

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President's Message:

I am honored to have been elected NASPOG President for the 2005-07 term, and look forward to serving the Society and the NASPOG family that I have come to know and deeply appreciate. The Society has been a source of knowledge, friendship and support in my own career, and I have been touched by hearing from others that NASPOG has been a stimulating, and professionally and personally enriching experience for them as well.

Our February 2005 meeting in San Diego was fabulous and fun (in spite of the rainy/wild weather!), and we thank Dr. Claudio Soares and Jennifer Prouty for their creativity and their considerable efforts in creating this exciting meeting. They made for a powerhouse of a team. Jennifer – we thank you for your undaunting courage – taking on the co-chairing of our meeting as a new NASPOG member!

There is an old Chinese saying: "May you live in interesting times". As members of our Society, we understand how difficult these "interesting times" can be. With significantly reduced sponsorship, we will need to be more creative and work harder to continue to offer exceptional meetings for our members and community, and to be the bridge among the disciplines that comprise women's mental health.

To respond to challenge of living in "interesting times", I believe that the mission for NASPOG is:

1. To increase NASPOG's membership;
2. To stabilize the Society's finances;
3. To work with ACOG and with ACOG's other small Societies, to enhance Naspog's visibility;
4. To maintain and support the Society's work: offering a collaborative/ interdisciplinary professional society, grounded in scientific and scholarly work about women's mental and physical health clinical care, research and education.

I look forward to working with the Executive Board, so that the Society will be a healthy resource for future generations of clinicians, educators, and researchers and who are the leaders in the field of biopsychosocial gynecological and obstetrical care.

And, I am thrilled as I look forward to our 33rd Annual NASPOG Meeting in February 2006 on the Big Island of Hawaii. Drs. Diana Dell and Leslie Born as our Scientific Co-Chairs, have been planning our meeting. We have selected an exquisite resort, which is located on one of the Big Island's best and most dramatic beaches – rated as America's best beach by Conde Nast. This resort was chosen for the location and beauty, as well as its family friendliness. The Hapuna Prince is designed for relaxation and rejuvenation – come and join us for rest, warmth, friendship, and intellectual stimulation!

Wishing you a healthy and productive summer and fall. And I look forward to seeing you in Hawaii!

Jillian Romm, RN, LCSW

Message from our 2006 Program Co-Chairs:

We are planning an exciting program for our next NASPOG Scientific Meeting. Please join us on Hawaii's Big Island, at the Hapuna Beach Prince Hotel for NASPOG's 33rd Annual Scientific Meeting.

This NASPOG meeting will have extended CME hours, with the addition of afternoon symposia and breakouts. After the welcoming reception at the resort, symposia will focus on Domestic/Intimate Partner Violence, and "The 2 T's" of women's mental health: Thyroid and Testosterone. We will offer symposia about Sleep, Mind-Body interventions for women's mental/health concerns, and the Weinberg Memorial Lecture. Afternoon Breakout Sessions will be a new addition to our meeting, with opportunities for clinically focused workshops. On Friday evening we will host a Scientific Poster Session.

We are happy to announce the return of the Junior Investigator's Symposium. Please invite your students, residents and trainees to submit abstracts for this unique opportunity. We will also have symposia devoted to the abstracts of NASPOG members.

We look forward to a wonderful meeting, in an exquisite location, among friends and colleagues who share our interest in women's mental health and well-being. And we look forward to enjoying the meeting with you in beautiful Hawaii!

Leslie Born, PhD
Diana Dell, MD



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Announcement:

NIH Research Fellowship

Candidates for a new three-year research fellowship in the field of women's health at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) are being recruited. The new Women's Health Post-doctoral Fellowship, funded by a grant from Battelle to the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health, will focus on training postdoctoral scientists to address key issues in women's health research and on encouraging multi-disciplinary collaborations to overcome disparities in healthcare between women and men.

NIH has structured the fellowship with emphasis on collaborations, through co-mentored projects, between NIH intramural research laboratories conducting research on women's health. Research opportunities include a combination of basic research, translational research, epidemiological research, biomedical history, and biomedical bioinformatics research.

Qualified postdoctoral scientists (US citizens or permanent residents) are invited to apply for fellowships on-line at www.training.nih.gov/pdopenings by July 9. Eligible co-mentors and research projects are listed at <http://www.training.nih.gov/transfer/WomensHealthAds>.

Welcome New Members!

The following have joined NASPOG this year. Please join us as we welcome you to our Society and thank you for supporting our work and one another! And we look forward to seeing you at our meetings.

Cynthia Battle, PhD
Providence, RI

Nicole Cirino, MD
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Stephanie Citron, PhD
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Miriam Field, LCSW
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Erica Fletcher, PT, MTC
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