

NASPAG Report May 2020

NASPAG 34th Annual Clinical & Research Meeting ("ACRM" was to be held April 2-4, 2020 at the Gaylord Texan in Grapevine (Dallas), TX. **Due to COVID19, the meeting was cancelled.**

Planning has begun for 2020 Annual Clinical & Research Meeting. The meeting is planned to be held at the Renaissance Nashville, Nashville, TN, March 18-20, 2021.

NASPAG has a new discounted rate for both memberships/meeting registration for International Members (Zones 3 and 4) and for students and fellows.

NASPAG Committee Updates:

Abstract Committee:

- Employed two rounds of scoring to improve selection of oral presentations for ACRM.
- Accepted 14 oral presentations and 1 video abstract.
- Accepted 126 poster presentations.
- Abstracts of those works not published elsewhere are in the current issue of JPAG.

Advocacy Committee:

Endorsements and Letters Signed On

- Supreme Court Amicus Brief for June Medical Services vs Gee (Louisiana)
 - NASPAG signed on with ACOG, AAP, AAFP, ACNM, ASRM, NPWH, SMFM, ACP, ACOOG.
 - Medical and Legal Groups Say Louisiana Abortion Law Is Unnecessary and Harmful
- Vaccine Awareness Campaign to Champion Immunization Nationally and Enhance Safety (VACCINES) Act of 2019 (H.R. 2862).
 - NASPAG signed on with American Academy of Family Physicians, American Academy of Pediatrics, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, American College of Physicians, American Psychiatric Association, and the American Osteopathic Association.
- Access to Infertility Treatment and Care Act
 - NASPAG endorsed with ACOG, multiple organizations with the Coalition to Protect Parenthood After Cancer and the Alliance for Fertility Preservation.
- Pocan Amendment to H.R. 2740—Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, Legislative Branch, Defense, State, Foreign Operations, and Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2020.
 - NASPAG signed on the letter led by The International Society for Stem Cell Society in support of the Pocan amendment to block the recent restrictions on NIH extramural research using fetal tissue).

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- Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Inc.; And Planned Parenthood of Northern New England, Inc., Vs, Alex M. Azar li, Secretary, United States Department of Health and Human Services.
 - Signed on Amicus brief led by ACOG, in opposition of HHS conscientious refusal rule in the Southern District of New York. Stay issued in Santa Clara and rule delayed until 11/2019.

- Fiscal Year 2020 Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education (LHHS) Appropriations bill to support the Title X Family Planning program
 - Signed on letter led by ACOG to Senators Shelby, Blunt, Leahy, Murray regarding FY 2020 Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education (LHHS) Appropriations bill to support the Title X Family Planning program to include language in the FY 2020 Appropriations bill to support the Title X Family Planning program and ensure that no funds are used to implement the Administration's final rule.
- Fiscal Year 2020 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)
 - Signed on letter to leaders of the federal senate and house Armed Services committees, led by AAP, to oppose proposals to eliminate military medical billets and graduate medical education (GME) programs throughout the Military Health System (MHS).
- Fetal Tissue Research
 - Signed onto letter to Secretary Alex Azar of HHS opposing the policies on research using human fetal tissue announced by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) on June 5, 2019.
- Amicus Brief for US Court of Appeals 6th Circuit EMW WOMEN'S SURGICAL CENTER, P.S.C., versus Meier
 - NASPAG signed on with ACOG, AMA, ACNM, ASRM, NPWH, ACOOG with an Amicus Brief opposing the ban on D and E procedures in Kentucky.

Statements and Letters

- SAHM and NASPAG Issue Joint Statement on Crisis Pregnancy Centers
- Genital Surgery/DSD Statement
- Threatened administration rule re: gender is set at birth
 - Drafted response with pediatric surgery, on hold until rule issued

Ad Hoc Coding:

- Informed NASPAG membership about coding for telehealth visits
- Workshop proposal accepted for 2020 ACRM:
 - PAG Coding: Tips & Tricks
- Submitted new ICD-10 code:
 - History of ovarian / tubal / ovarian + tubal torsion.
- NASPAG continues to be represented on the ACOG Committee on Coding and Health Economics.

Education Committee:

Patient handouts:

- Spanish handouts – Contraception (7), Dysmenorrhea, irregular menses, ovarian cysts, PCOS, prepubertal vaginal discharge.
- Heavy Menstrual Bleeding, Vulvar Aphthous Ulcers.
- Clinical Opinions:
 - Pending Fertility Preservation and Turner Syndrome.
- PAG WEB ED cases
 - Fertility Preservation
 - Pending AUB
- Talking points for Extended Use LARCs.
- Transitional Care project.
- Telehealth handout.

Research Committee:

- Engaged with industry colleagues to explore potential opportunity to develop new liquid contraceptive.
- Launched new quarterly journal club feature in JPAG.
- Wrote commentary to accompany first JPAG journal club.
- Issued a fellow's funding announcement awarded to Kimberly Huhmann (Tufts) to explore reproductive health of girls with chronic illness.
- Issues call for new mentor-mentee dyads through the NASPAG research mentoring program.

Resident Education Committee:

- Research: Multicenter randomized controlled trial evaluating ELEARN Module on Pre-pubertal Vaginal Bleeding—completed—First prize oral abstract winner at 2020 CREOG/APGO National Meeting in Orlando, FL (Huguelet first author); accepted for oral abstract at NASPAG ACRM; preparing manuscript for publication.
- Publications: Long Curriculum in Resident Education: Comprehensive curriculum in Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology for Post-graduate trainees in Obstetrics/ Gynecology, Pediatrics, and Adolescent Medicine.
- New and Revised Teaching Tools.

Social Media Committee:

- Formation and launch of NASPAG's Instagram Account: @NaspagInsta.

Website Committee:

- Improvement to website.
- JPAG Journal Club Section now on www.naspag.org