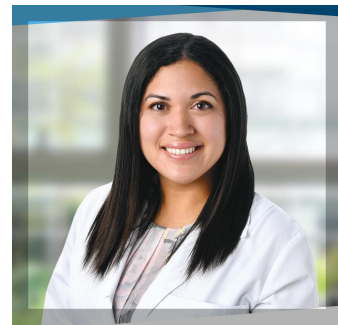




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President's Message

Greetings! APAOG is excited about all the positive changes around us. We are eagerly anticipating our virtual conference on the much-needed topic of disparities in women's health. We know there are huge disparities for women, particularly women of color. CDC data show that black women are 3 to 4 times more likely to die from pregnancy-related causes including cardiac illness, postpartum hemorrhage, pulmonary embolism, and hypertensive disorders. PAs are trained to manage these conditions and can help adequately address them.



Thankfully, with the support from the PAs for Global Health, the African Heritage PA Caucus, PAs for Latino Health, and the Society for PAs in Pediatrics, APAOG has drafted a policy paper regarding disparities in maternal mortality, which the 2021 House of Delegates accepted! We also proudly supported policy amendments by the Commission on the Health of the Public on "Access to Prenatal Care," "Support for Promotion of Safe-sex Practices and Interventions to Prevent Sexually Transmitted Infections", "Breastfeeding," and Cannabinoid use in Pregnancy and Breastfeeding."

APAOG is also working on a robust plan to address inequities for PAs wanting to enter OBGYN. PAs are medically trained, closely follow ACOG resident training guidelines, and are nimble enough to pivot and solve the disparities and shortages in obstetrics and gynecology. One way to increase PAs in OBGYN is to improve preceptorship opportunities for PA students. Students need examples, guidance, and administrative support. Consider this a preceptorship CALL TO ACTION. Reach out to your local PA program and ask about available clinical preceptor opportunities. We can make the difference.

Melissa Rodriguez, DMSc, PA-C

[View Policy Paper Here](#)

APAOG 2021 Virtual Conference

APAOG launched conference registration this month and is very excited for the 2021 virtual experience with women's health professionals from all across the country. Members only pay \$95 and student members \$25. The program has also now been approved for

CME credit, through the AAPA Review Panel. [Register now to secure your spot!](#)

This event is not possible without the support and partnership of our sponsors. We thank the sponsors of this year's event and have more availability for companies to take advantage of the Exhibitor Opportunity. [Click here for more information!](#)



Members-Only Access

APAOG members have access to the following benefits:

- [PA Guide to OBGYN](#)
- [Onboarding Document](#)
- [Discussion Forum](#)
- [Free On-Demand and Archived Webinars](#)
- [Career Center](#)
- [Monthly e-News](#)

Resources For You

APAOG launched the new [Women's Health Resource Center](#) page on our website this year. This page will be added to throughout the year as more companies and organizations take advantage of our [Partnership Opportunities](#). This creation stemmed from wanting to provide our members with resources and information that may be useful as you continue to treat patients and support women through the healthcare field you are a part of. Please reach out to us with any questions and feel free to share this opportunity with those around you who may find this to be a good fit.

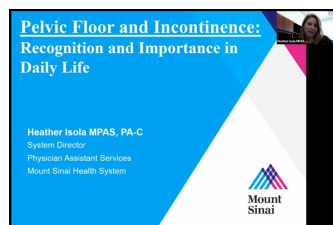


On-Demand Webinars

APAOG is proud to offer members NO COST on-demand CME webinar opportunities that can be accessed at your convenience! The webinar series focuses on topics pertinent to PA's practicing in OB/GYN.

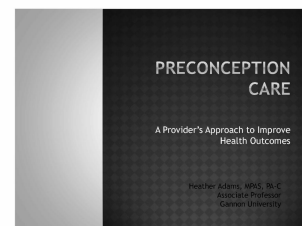
Pelvic Floor and Incontinence - Recognition and Importance in Daily Life

Heather Isola, MPAS, PA-C



Preconception Care: A Provider's Approach to Improve Health Outcomes

Heather Adams, MPAS, PA-C



APAOG is now offering additional educational webinars for members to access at their convenience starting this month. These webinars are not eligible for CME, but still focus on pertinent topics related to women's health.

Uterine Fibroids: Disease State, Etiology, Pathophysiology, Burden of Illness
Presented by Heather Hackbarth, PA-C



[Click here to access all webinars!](#)

Educational Affiliate Membership

This offer is only available until June 30, 2021 - join today for only \$150 (\$245 value!) by clicking below.

ACOG needs your help to provide a strong voice for the specialty. Join today in order to add your voice and reap your benefits.

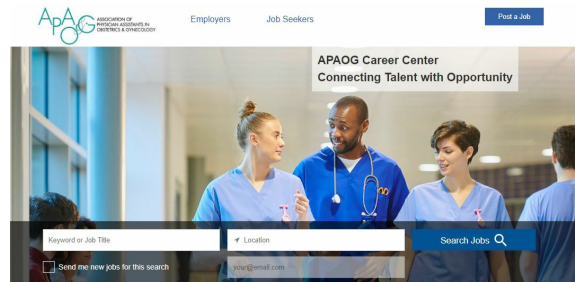


**Only available for Fellow, Associate and Affiliate APAOG members.*

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APAOG's Career Center

APAOG's career center may be the place for you to start your search for a new career, build your resume or post any current opening(s). The easy-to-use website has a variety of different options depending on what you are looking for. Click the button below to begin using the resources available to help both employers and job seekers.



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