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PRENATAL TEST

The Harmony Prenatal Test
is validated for pregnant
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*Both under 35 and over 35 age groups, studies have included women ages 18-48. This is a lab developed test and has not been cleared or approved by the US FDA.

2017 APAOG Award Winners Announced!

Thank you to all who nominated their colleagues for an APAOG Award. It was a very competitive year! We are proud to announce the 2017 Award winners who will be recognized at the [APAOG Banquet and Reception](#) at the 2017 AAPA Conference in Las Vegas, NV.

Outstanding PA in Women's Health

Jacquetta Melvin PA-C, North Carolina State University - Student Health Services, Raleigh, NC

Preceptor Award

Melinda Balzar, MHS, PA-C, Department of Community & Family Medicine, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC

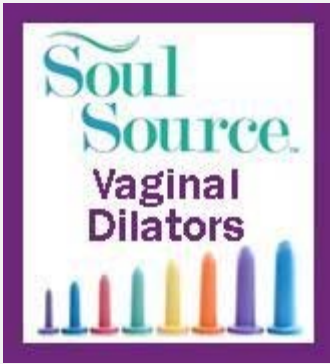
Student Award

Christina Saldanha, PA-S, High Point University, High Point, NC

Congratulations to our 2017 award winners! [View full awards announcement here.](#)

APAOG Events at AAPA

Planning out your schedule at AAPA? Be sure to add these APAOG events to your calendar.



Wednesday, May 17, 2017, 9-10 am
[SPARK Student Session - PAs in OBGYN](#)

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AAAA Conference Sessions Related to Women's Health

- Female Pelvic and Vulvar Pain (Aleece Fosnight, APAOG President)
- Basic Obstetrics Review (Melinda Blazar, APAOG Director at Large)
- Preconception Counseling (Heather Adams, APAOG Publications Committee Chair)
- Genital Ulcer STIs
- Female Urology Update
- Zika and Pregnancy
- Women's Health Issues
- Breast Cancer Patient Options
- HPV Vaccination
- Contraception Update
- Menopause Management
- Drug and Alcohol and Sexual Assault

2017 APAOG Webinars

Menopause: Where are we now?

June 20, 2017 - [Register today!](#)
5PM PT/7PM CT/8PM ET



Speaker: Elyse Watkins, DHSc, PA-C

- Describe the Women's Health Initiative study and its subsequent effect on exogenous hormone utilization during menopause.
- Discuss the current evidence-based guidelines on hormone therapy for menopausal women.
- Differentiate the various treatment options currently available for vasomotor symptoms and vulvovaginal atrophy due to menopause.

- Describe the risks and benefits of hormone therapy during menopause.

Menopause: Where are we now?
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Clinical Updates

Pelvic Examinations in Asymptomatic Women Update

“On March 7th the U.S. Preventative Services Task Force published a report on the performance of pelvic examinations in asymptomatic women. They concluded that there is not enough evidence to determine the benefits or harms of performing these exams in asymptomatic, non-pregnant adult women. They caution providers to utilize their report with caution. This is not meant to dissuade providers from performing pelvic examinations in asymptomatic women, but rather to indicate that more research is needed to determine the risk/benefit profile for these exams.”

Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome Report

“ On March 10th the CDC published a report on prevention of neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS). They concluded that increased access to preconception care and family planning services as well as increased use of prescription drug monitoring programs are the best strategies for NAS prevention. The effects of NAS are best addressed with standardized treatments for afflicted infants and maternal opioid use disorder treatment programs. The full report is available [here](#).”

Drug Holidays from Bisphosphonates for Women at Low Risk



The North American Menopause Society (NAMS) is pleased to announce a [new video](#) in its comprehensive midlife health topic series for clinicians. All the interviews in the series are hosted by NAMS President Dr. Marla Shapiro, a Canadian physician, who leads this exciting initiative. Dr. Shapiro is also the

medical consultant for CTV News and on-air medical contributor to *Canada AM*.

CDC Report on HPV Prevalence in U.S. Population

The CDC has issued a report on the prevalence of HPV in the U.S. population. The report addresses HPV prevalence in both men and women. In women aged 18-59, from 2013-2014, the prevalence of any genital HPV was 39.9% and the prevalence of high risk genital HPV was 20.4%. The full report can be accessed [here](#).

APAOG's Newest Members

Welcome to the APAOG's newest members in March:
Fellow

- Amna Mehmood
- Sophia Govorov
- Elizabeth Salzer

Associate

- Laura Frese

Student

- Archana Patel

Job Openings

[Surgical and LDRP Physician Assistant Opportunity](#)
Nashua, NH

[PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT – OB/GYN](#)
Physician Affiliate Group, New York

[BC/BE Advanced Practice Provider](#)
Rochester Regional Health, New York

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Events

ACOG 2017 Annual Clinical and Scientific Meeting
May 6-9, 2017
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2017 AAPA Conference
May 15-19, 2017

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