



SOCIETY *of*
FAMILY PLANNING
& SFP RESEARCH FUND

2017 Annual Report

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Dear colleagues,

WE ARE PLEASED TO SHARE THE 2017 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE SOCIETY OF FAMILY PLANNING (SFP) AND THE SFP RESEARCH FUND.

This was a year when science served as a flash point in debates about abortion and contraception care and policy, and when activists working to restrict abortion and contraception continued to use biased science to push their goals forward. In this climate, we were proud to reaffirm our ongoing commitment to rigorous and impactful scientific inquiry focused on abortion and contraception.

In 2017, we served as an academic community, a convener, a producer of clinical guidelines, and a grantmaker. This work was made possible by our members, grantees, partners in advocacy and policy, and our funder.

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Some highlights of 2017:

- Our community grew to nearly 800 members, with expertise in a broad range of clinical and academic family planning issues, as well as advocacy, litigation, and policy (*read more on page 3*).
- SFP members led much of the [most talked-about research on abortion and contraception in 2017](#) (*read more on page 3*).
- SFP members developed a highly regarded new clinical practice guideline, focused on intrauterine devices in nulliparous women (*read more on page 4*).
- Nearly 1,300 clinicians, scientists, and partners gathered in October at the *North American Forum on Family Planning* to learn about the latest advances in clinical care and research, form new collaborations, and honor the contributions of luminaries in our field (*read more on page 18*).
- [We joined a lawsuit](#) to challenge medically unjustified FDA restrictions on medication abortion.
- \$3,270,373 of competitive funding was awarded to emerging and established scholars researching timely issues on abortion and contraception (*read more on page 7*).
- \$2,956,804 in grants was awarded to current and graduated Fellows in the Fellowship in Family Planning to help advance their research and academic careers (*read more on page 15*).

We worked to complete our first-ever strategic plan and committed ourselves to the challenging work of continuously reviewing and learning from both our failures and our successes.

In addition to advancing these programs, we also examined how the field of abortion and contraception research has changed over the last decade, and how we needed to change to respond to the clear and emergent needs of the field. We worked to complete our first-ever strategic plan and committed ourselves to the challenging work of continuously reviewing and learning from both our failures and our successes. We hope the result is an organization ready to stretch and better poised to take on the difficult work of ensuring that science helps to inform abortion and contraception practice and policy.

On behalf of the board of directors and staff, we look forward to continuing to work alongside you in 2018.



Amanda Dennis

Amanda Dennis, DrPH, MBE
Executive Director
(as of May 2018)
Interim Executive Director
(September 2017 – May 2018)



Stephanie Teal

Stephanie Teal, MD, MPH
President, Board of Directors
(as of October 2017)



More than 1,250 people attended the 2017 *Forum*, which featured three days of sessions, panels, a debate, award presentations, networking lunches, abstract and poster presentations, and two days of pre-conference sessions.

2017

Fellowship in Family Planning grants

THE SFP RESEARCH FUND AWARDED over \$2.95 million to Fellows in the Fellowship in Family Planning in 2017. These awards are provided to Fellows as part of their training and post-graduate work.

Sarah Averbach, MD, MAS, University of California, San Diego

Post-fellowship salary support

Lily Bayat, MD, MPH, University of New Mexico

Determinants of success: characterizing the facilitators of integrated abortion provision

Lisa Bayer, MD, Oregon Health & Science University

Post-fellowship salary support

Caitlin Bernard, MD, Indiana University

Post-fellowship salary support

Neha Bhardwaj, MD, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Post-fellowship salary support

Ashley Brant, DO, MPH, MedStar Health Research Institute, Inc.

Gabapentin as an adjunct for pain management during dilation and evacuation: a randomized controlled trial

Benjamin Brown, MD, University of Chicago

Impact of distance to provider and state-level abortion restrictions on abortion rate

Holly Bullock, MD, MPH, University of Utah

Offering same-day counseling and vasectomy at Planned Parenthood of Utah: a longitudinal mixed methods study

Alyssa Colwill, MD, Oregon Health & Science University

Opioid analgesia for medical abortion: a randomized controlled trial

Wing Kay Fok, MD, Stanford University

Medication Abortion Self-Confirmation (MASC): comparison of two home pregnancy tests as an alternative to office follow-up

Sharon Gerber, MD, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Is abortion care an opportunity for healthcare maintenance? Promotion of HPV vaccination at time of abortion visit

Roopan Gill, MD, MPH, University of British Columbia

Feasibility and ACceptability of a mobile Technology intervention to Support [FACTS] women's post abortion care in British Columbia Study

Natalie Gladstein, MD, University of Michigan

Creating an oasis in an abortion desert: exploring Michigan doctors' interest in providing medication abortion