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## FELLOWSHIPS

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### The Mary Ann Tynan Fellowship

The Tynan Fellowship, endowed in the name of Mary Ann Tynan— a pioneer in her field as the third woman elected partner at Wellington Management Company and an exceptional leader in her volunteer roles at Brigham and Women's and Faulkner Hospitals—is awarded to BWH physicians and scientists who are driven to improve the health of women.



**Cindy Liu, PhD**

2018 Tynan Faculty Research Fellow, Pediatric Newborn Medicine & Psychiatry, Brigham and Women's Hospital; Assistant Professor, Newborn Medicine, Harvard Medical School

*Research focus: Impact of stress and mental health of women and their families*

### Global Women's Health Fellowship Award



The Global Women's Health Fellowship Award promotes research pertinent to the advancement of the health of women worldwide, elevates the visibility of the field of

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women globally.

- Conduct clinical and field research based on robust quantitative and analytic research skills.
- Obtain fundamental knowledge and understanding of global health issues that uniquely affect the health of women within the context of social, cultural, and political environments.

## Global Women's Health Fellows



Maria Nardell, MD  
(2018-2020)

Division of Women's Health

*Strategies to overcome barriers to initiate HIV treatment in women and men in South Africa*



Samia Osman, MD, MPP  
(2019-2020)



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In 2019, the Connors Center transitioned the BWH Connors Center Global Women's Health (GWH) Fellowship from a two-year research training fellowship to a one-year mentored award program which enables clinical and research fellows and early career clinical investigators to develop and apply research skills through the implementation of a research project in the area of global women's health. The aims and objectives of the program remain the same.

One fellow will be selected annually to receive a \$10,000, one-year award. The GWH Fellow also benefits from mentorship through regular meetings with the Fellowship Director, Hanni Stoklosa, MD, MPH, mentoring in research methods from Janet Rich-Edwards, ScD, MPH, Connors Center Director of Lifecourse Epidemiology, and through feedback and guidance received at Connors Center programs from the community of senior Center Affiliates who are leaders in their respective women's health and sex/gender disciplines.

## Eligibility

The fellowship award program is open to current and pending clinical and research fellows of Brigham and Women's global health residency and fellowship programs, as well as targeted Harvard Medical School graduate education programs. The selection process is carried out in coordination with the applicant's primary department at BWH or HMS, and the GWHF application must be endorsed by the applicant's primary department in order to apply. BWH early-career investigators (i.e., Instructor or Assistant Professor) with an established track record or interest in global and/or women's health research and scholarship (e.g., publications or current or prior professional positions or affiliations in global health) may be considered on a case-by-case basis after consultation with the Program Director. The fellowship supports investigations of conditions that are exclusive, predominate, or differential in women and in areas where women experience a particular disadvantage based on gender inequalities and other social determinants (e.g. HIV and AIDS, displacement due to war and disaster).

## Inquiries

Please direct questions about the program to Fellowship Director [Hanni Stoklosa, MD, MPH](#) or [Natasha Minor](#) Connors Center Project Manager.

## The Family Planning Fellowship

This two-year fellowship provides obstetrician-gynecologists with the opportunity to build on their clinical skills in abortion and family planning and to develop research expertise in these areas. The is based in the Connors Center for Women's Health and Gender Biology and is a collaboration between the Center, the BWH Dept. of OB/GYN, and Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts.

The clinical component of the fellowship includes: all methods of pregnancy terminat<sup>^</sup> diagnostic methods to confirm uterine and tubal pregnancy; anesthesia and pain con management of complications; all methods of contraception currently available and under investigation; sterilization; and gynecologic surgery.

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Opportunities also exist for fellows to gain exposure to contraceptive development at the Population Council in NY and to complete rotations at the World Health Organization (WHO) in Geneva and the American College of Obstetrician Gynecologists (ACOG) in Washington D.C. The fellowship accepts one new fellow each academic year.

Please visit the Family Planning Fellowship website for more information.

## The Women's Mental Health Fellowship

The Women's Mental Health Fellowship in the Department of Psychiatry trains expert clinicians in the psychiatric care of women and in the assessment and treatment of psychiatric symptoms linked with female reproductive cycle transitions. Fellows benefit from the training and mentoring of Fellowship Director Dr. Leena Mittal and Associate Fellowship Directors Drs. Polina Teslyar and Margo Nathan.

Please visit the Women's Mental Health Fellowship website for full fellowship details.



Priya Kumar-Kaparaboyna, MD  
(2019-2020)

*Perinatal Psychiatry and Mother-Baby Dyadic Attachment; Women's Health Policy; Gender and Sex Disparities in Healthcare; Reproductive Sexual Health*

## BIRCWH (Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health) Award

The Division of Women's Health/Connors Center is the home site for the Harvard-wide, NIH-funded, [Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health \(BIRCWH\) award](#).

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contributions to understanding issues important to women's health.

