News

Over 70 Johns Hopkins University employees and community members stepped away from their busy schedules last month, May 26th, to take part in The 9th Annual Women’s Health Research Symposium, A Celebration of Women’s Health Research at Johns Hopkins. This year, the symposium was an unprecedented success offering attendees diverse information on women’s health. Featured oral abstract presenters Ashley Fink, Manasa Ayyala, and Lauren Osborne offered findings of their innovative research. Our keynote speakers Janice Evans, Jeanne Sheffield, and Pamela Ouyang presented unique perspectives on key women’s health issues.

The Women’s Health Research Group made several major announcements and bestowed various new awards during the symposium

❖ The Seed Grants for Research on Sex/Gender Differences in Medicine and Public Health was awarded to Kristin Voegtline and Rosanne Rouf.

❖ The Donna L. Vogel Women’s Health Research Champion Award was awarded to Donna Strobino to recognize her for her dedicated research related to women’s health.

❖ The Distinguished Abstract Award was presented to oral abstract presenters to recognize them as the top three abstracts submitted to the symposium.

❖ The Viewer’s Choice Award is new element added to the symposium this year. The recipient for this award was chosen by attendees of the symposium during the poster session that featured 14 various abstracts. The 2016 recipient of this award was Elizabeth Harvey.

The symposium wrapped up with a guided networking lunch where attendees discussed hot topics in women’s health, it was truly a day to remember.

Announcements

• The Office on Violence Against Women participated in The United State of Women Summit. The Summit focused on Economic Empowerment, Health & Wellness, Educational Opportunities, Violence against Women, Entrepreneurship & Innovation, and Leadership & Civic Engagement. If you would like to watch the recording of the Summit, Click Here.

• The first national conference of the Center for Women’s Health Research at the University of Colorado School of Medicine will be held September 28th – 30th, 2016. The theme of this
conference is Sex Differences Across the Lifespan: A Focus on Metabolism. They are having a call to present posters. The deadline to submit is September 2nd, 2016. Click here to submit. For more information or to register for the conference, Click Here

- ICOWHI’s 21st Biennial Congress will be held November 6 – 9, 2016 in Baltimore, MD. The theme of the meeting is Scale and Sustainability: Moving Women’s Health Forward. For more information, Click Here

- The 36th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Reproductive Immunology: Putting Women & Children at the Center of Health and Development, will be held November 12-16, 2016 at Marriott at Camden Yards, Baltimore, MD. The focus is to explore the newest innovations in the field, network with colleagues and identify new areas for collaboration. They will be accepting abstract submissions. The deadline to submit your abstract is July 17, 2016. They ask that you consider submitting a photo to our Picture Competition. This competition will not only promote advancement in imaging technology in the field of reproductive immunology, but also the opportunity to appreciate the beautiful complexity that goes on within our systems. For more information regarding abstract submissions, Click Here

**Funding**

- Limited Submissions at Johns Hopkins University: Click Here
- NIH Weekly Funding Opportunities and Notices: Click Here

**Upcoming Events:**

- The United State of Women Summit, Sponsored by The Office on Violence Against Women; Tuesday, June 14th, 2016; Washington D.C. Click Here for more information.

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