

AWARDS

2017 Combined Sections Meeting | San Antonio, TX

2016 APTA Emerging Leader Award (Frame)

To identify and honor one physical therapist or physical therapist assistant “emerging leader” from each APTA chapter or section, who has demonstrated extraordinary service early in his or her physical therapy career. The individual should have made exceptional overall accomplishments and contributions to the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA), the component, and the physical therapy profession to advance APTA’s vision.

Winner: Audra Zastrow

2017 Friend of the Section Award (Plaques)

Anyone or any company that went above and beyond to help the Section on Women’s Health in the past year. It could be helping with a project, going above and beyond for a Board Member to achieve their goals or someone who is always there to assist the Section when needed.

Winner 1: Karen Miles-APTA Meeting Services

Winner 2: Heidi Gagnon-Prometheus Group

2017 Volunteer of the Year (Plaque)

Anyone that you feel has gone about and beyond this year as one of our volunteers. We would love to recognize a volunteer who has given a great deal of time and energy to the Section this year.

Winner: Susan Steffes

2017 Elizabeth Noble Award (Plaque)

Elizabeth Noble Award Elizabeth Noble was the founder of the Section on Women’s Health, (then the Section on Obstetrics and Gynecology) and served as its first Chairman. She was a driving force behind the development of the field of obstetric and gynecological physical therapy in the United States. She was the author of multiple books for both the lay public and the professional. To learn more about Elizabeth Noble, [click here](#). The Elizabeth Noble Award is the Section on Women’s Health’s highest honor, and is given to a member in good standing of the Section on Women’s Health of the APTA providing extraordinary and exemplary service to the field of physical therapy for women, or to the Section on Women’s Health of the American Physical Therapy Association. The award may be, but is not necessarily, presented on an annual basis. When awarded, the recipient is presented with the award at the Section’s Annual Business Meeting, at the APTA Combined Sections Meeting. (Selected by SOWH Board of Directors)

Winner: Nancy Donovan

Outgoing Members (Plaque)

Each outgoing Board/Committee Chair member receives a plaque for their service and dedication to Section on Women’s Health.

Outgoing Board Members: Sandra Hilton, Sarah Haag

Outgoing Nominating Committee Chair: Blair Green

Elaine Meadows Research Scholar Award (Frame)

The Elaine Meadows Research Scholar Award is designed to defray the costs of travel to attend the APTA Combined Sections Meeting (CSM), disseminate research findings and foster national networking of research colleagues. It is awarded to a Section member that must be a presenter of an abstract accepted by SoWH for poster/platform presentation at CSM and that must be the lead presenting author. The candidate is selected based on justification of need for a travel scholarship, the submitted abstract, relevance of their research to women’s health physical therapy and the completed application. The winner is announced by Director of Research 30 days prior to CSM.

Recipient 1: Kelli Brizzolara, PT, PhD

Recipient 2: Lindsey Liggan, PT, DPT, PRPC

2017 CSM Scholarship Award (Frame)

One student physical therapist with an interest in the women's health field will be selected to receive full payment of registration for CSM.

Winner: Ariana Jones

2017 Research Grant Award \$10,000 (Frame)

Grant Review Committee selects the research proposal each year and either grants \$10,000 or 2x \$5,000 Research Grant awards each year.

Winner: "Fascial Scar Mobilization Techniques in Treating Chronic Caesarian Section Scar Pain: A Randomized Clinical Trial" Investigating Team: Jennifer Wasserman, Karen Abraham, Mary Massery, and Beth Marcoux.