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40 YEARS

2019 ANNUAL REPORT

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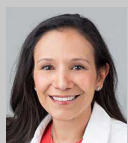
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CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF AUGS

The American Urogynecologic Society (AUGS) is the premier non-profit organization representing professionals dedicated to treating female pelvic floor disorders. Founded in 1979, AUGS represents more than 1,900 members, including practicing physicians, nurse practitioners, physical therapists, nurses, health care professionals, and researchers from many disciplines.

For members and constituents, AUGS is the primary source of clinical and scientific information and education in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery (FPMRS).

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A LOOK BACK AT THE PAST 40 YEARS

In 1979, the Gynecologic Urology Society (GUS) was formed in a living room in Orange County, California by Drs. Jack Robertson, Finis Wiggins, Earl Fuller, Fred Jansen, and Don Ostergard. In 2019, the organization launched in that living room celebrated its 40th anniversary as the American Urogynecologic Society, as well as the anniversary of its annual scientific meeting, now known as PFD Week.

Explore the journey from the organization's humble beginnings to its position as the leader in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery.

1979

Donald R. Ostergard,
Jack Robertson,
Finis Wiggins,
Earl Fuller, and
Fred Jansen form
Gynecologic Urology
Society

THE 1980s

- First Annual Scientific Meeting held in New Orleans, Louisiana
- First edition of Educational Objectives for Postgraduate Education in Gynecologic Urology is developed
- Name is changed to American Urogynecologic Society

“I am proud of having been part of the introduction of our specialty to the National Institutes of Health.”



J. Andrew Fantl
President, 1986 – 1987

- SmithBucklin assumes management of AUGS
- Subspecialty is named Urogynecology and Reconstructive Pelvic Surgery
- First Board accredited Fellowship Program
- Kimberly Clarke provides endowment for creation of June Allyson Foundation
- First NIH RFA for the study pelvic floor disorders following trip to NIH and work by AUGS leadership to lobby for research funding

“During my term, we convened a working group of urogynecologists and industry members to begin early discussions about a registry related to mesh complications; this set the stage for the (much harder) implementation work done by future presidents.”



Ingrid Nygaard
President, 2006 – 2007

THE 2000s

- Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery is AUGS' official journal
- American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) application for the subspecialty of Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery is written with the collaboration of urology and gynecology
- ABMS recognizes the subspecialty of FPMRS
- June 2013 exam date for FPMRS is announced
- FPMRS Fellowships accredited by ACGME for the first time
- AUGS transitions to a stand-alone organization
- AUGS celebrates its 40th annual scientific meeting with the AUGS/IUGA Scientific Meeting in Nashville, Tennessee

THE 1990s

“When I started as Secretary-Treasurer, there was a shoe box of less than a hundred members, no notice of who had paid dues or not, and a check for several thousand dollars with no financial records or tax records. For annual meetings, I would have to get on the phone and ask if individuals would like to present. By the time, I gave my presidential address in Long Beach six years later, we had become a real organization - growing, dynamic, active.”



David Richardson
President, 1990 – 1991

- Urogynecology and Reconstructive Pelvic Surgery URPS is changed to Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery (FPMRS)
- The AUGS Foundation is formed to support research regarding the causes, prevention, cure and treatment of Urogynecologic disorders
- The AUGS Foundation awards its first research grant
- The June Allyson Foundation merges with the AUGS Foundation to better support research to determine the causes and management of pelvic floor disorders

THE 2010s

“I am proud of representing AUGS in a balanced manner to its members and to the FDA, thus keeping the society together during the 2011 FDA safety communication concerning transvaginal mesh.”



Deborah Myers
President, 2010 – 2011

ADVANCING UROGYNECOLOGY IN 2019

The AUGS Strategic Plan for 2019 focused on four areas: **Education, Research, Clinical Practice and Quality.**



EDUCATION

Strategic Goal: Establish AUGS as the home for the highest quality scientific and clinical knowledge in FPMRS education.

Hosted AUGS/IUGA Scientific Meeting 2019

- Record attendance of 1,874 from 67 countries
- 393 Scientific Presentations
- 29 Pre-conference workshops and sessions

Educated more than 500 attendees at focused meetings and courses

- Urogyn Update
- Urogynecology for the Advanced Practice Provider
- Fundamentals of Urogynecology
- Urogynecologic Master Class
- Fellows' Robotic Course
- Fellows' Hands-on Course



RESEARCH

Strategic Goal: Promote basic and clinical research for the prevention and treatment of PFDs.

Hosted Deciding Our Future: Consensus Conference on Prolapse Outcomes and Best Practices for Mesh Complications

- Meeting of leaders representing private and public stakeholders to identify current needs in the area of prolapse outcome measures and determine of a standardized group of outcome measures for future research and clinical ventures.

Launched AUGS/DUKE Urogynecology Clinical Research Educational Scientist Training (UrogynCREST)

- Offers junior faculty the chance to increase their knowledge of data science and analytics as well as develop a project that can be the basis of future research grants through a combination of online course work in data sciences and one-on-one instruction to design and complete an innovative research project.



CLINICAL PRACTICE

Strategic Goal: Provide members with resources, tools, and skills to enhance practice and provide quality patient care.

Endorsed three clinical guidance documents

- APGO Statement: Teaching Pelvic Exams to Medical Students
- ACOG Practice Advisory: FDA Orders Manufacturers of Surgical Mesh for Transvaginal Repair of Pelvic Organ Prolapse to Stop Selling all Devices
- AUA/SUFU Guideline: Diagnosis and Treatment of Non-Neurogenic Overactive Bladder (OAB) in Adults

Released Systematic Review: Microscopic Hematuria as a Screening Tool for Urologic Malignancies in Women

Released Patient Fact Sheets in Spanish



QUALITY

Strategic Goal: Define the standard of care in FPMRS and provide tools and resources for urogynecologists to track and measure their outcomes to improve patient care.

Participated in ACOG's Council on Patient Safety in Women's Health

Continued to develop and expand the AUGS Quality Improvement Registry (AQUIRE)

- Partnership with MDEpiNet to develop a POP surgery module
- Partnership with UroCure to launch their SUI product and participate in the registry
- 1,000 SUI surgery patients enrolled

AWARDS AND HONORS



Jack Robertson Lifetime Achievement Award

AUGS' most prestigious award is presented periodically to an individual who has had a lifetime of outstanding achievements in the field of Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery and has served as a role model through service, basic or clinical research, and teaching.

The 2019 recipient is Mark D. Walters, MD for the significant contributions that he has made to the field, as well as to AUGS.



Raymond A. Lee Endowment

The Raymond A. Lee Endowment is a named lectureship created by AUGS to honor one person annually who contributed to the development and surgical advancement of urogynecology and to further advance the knowledge and teaching of gynecologic surgery through ongoing AUGS educational programs.

The 2019 recipient is Peter Rosenblatt, MD. He presented his lecture, *The Future of Innovation in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery*, at the AUGS/IUGA Scientific Meeting.



Robin Haff Research Award

This award is presented annually to an individual in recognition of outstanding and sustained contribution to female pelvic floor disorders research. The Robin Haff Research Award recognizes the important role that clinical research nurses and research coordinators play in the process. Without dedicated and committed staff, high quality research would not be possible.

The 2019 recipient is Colleen Mellen, APRN, for her tireless work in advancing this field for her fellow APRNs.

RESIDENT SCHOLAR AWARDS

This program funds third-year residents who have demonstrated an interest in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery to attend the AUGS Annual Scientific Meeting and experience the current research initiatives going on within the field. Each scholar receives a \$1,000 award to cover travel, hotel accommodations, and meeting registration.



Vi Duong, MD
Medstar Washington
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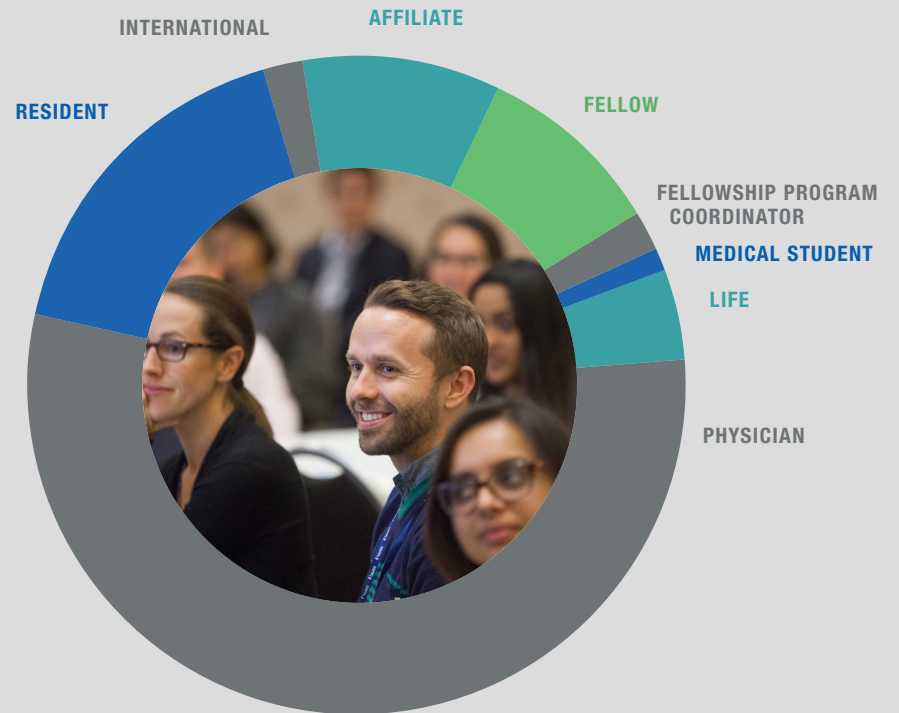
Christine Savilo, MS, MD
Banner University Medical
Center - Phoenix



Mary Van Meter Baker, MD, MBA
Mayo Clinic

OUR MEMBERS

AUGS membership has increased more than **50%** between 2009 and 2019.



365 Resident (Includes Resident Award Winners)

44 International

207 Affiliate

194 Fellow

44 Fellowship Program Coordinator

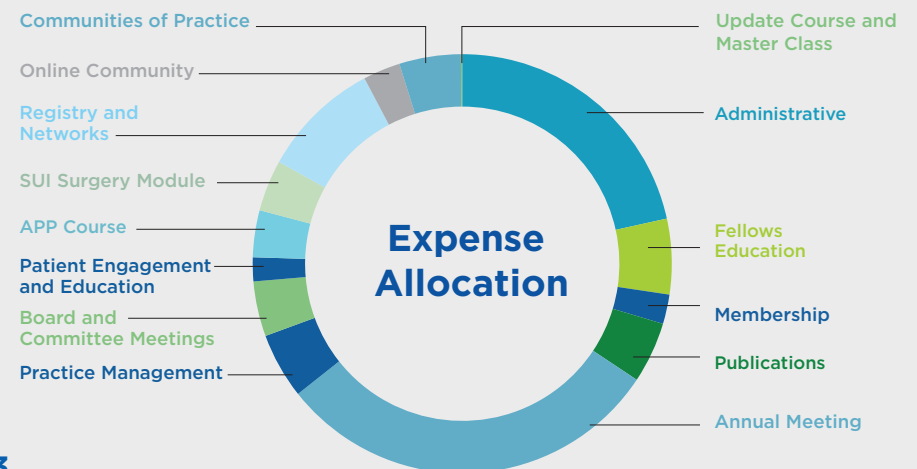
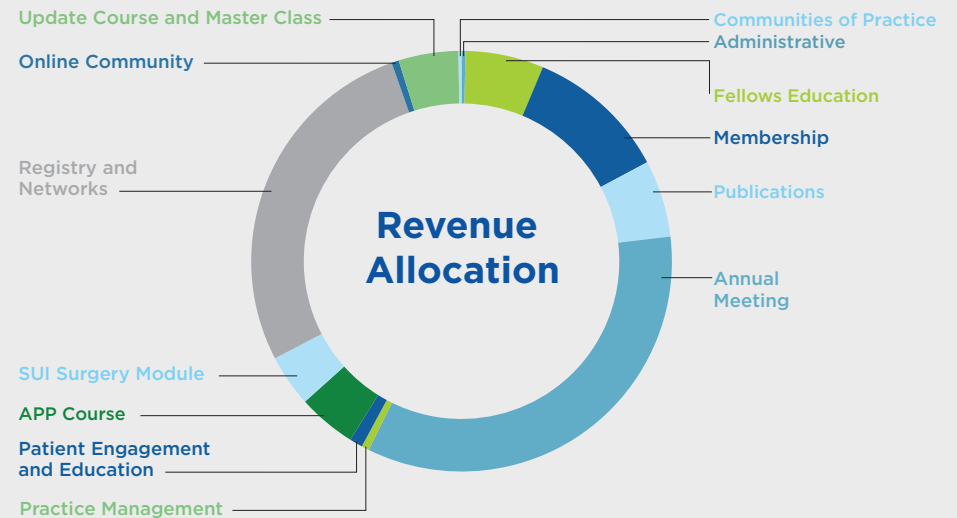
20 Medical Student

94 Life

1,168 Physician

2019 FINANCIAL REVIEW

Statement of Financial Position	
Total Assets	\$4,120,929
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Total Liabilities	\$2,064,055
Total Net Assets	\$2,056,874
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$4,120,929
Statement of Activities - Operations	
<i>Revenue</i>	
Total Revenue	\$4,242,913
<i>Expenses</i>	
Total Expenses	\$4,342,588
Net Change in Net Assets - Operations	(\$99,675)
Statement of Activities - Non Operations	
<i>Revenue</i>	
Total Revenue	\$143,594
<i>Expenses</i>	
Total Expenses	\$102,367
Net Change in Net Assets - Non Operations	\$41,227
Total Net Change in Net Assets	(\$58,448)



THANK YOU TO OUR 2019 SUPPORTERS

MISSION STATEMENT

As the leader in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery, AUGS promotes the highest quality patient care through excellence in education, research and advocacy.

Developing resources to realize our mission is a foundational element of pursuing the mission. To accomplish this, AUGS partners with entities that share our vision. These partners include other professional societies, government entities, and corporate entities.

CORPORATE PARTNERS

The medical industry includes many companies whose corporate goals intersect with the AUGS Mission. Those companies whose corporate goals align with AUGS goals are often supportive of the mission and initiatives of AUGS and the PFD Research Foundation. Through partnering with AUGS and the PFD Research Foundation these companies enhance the advancement of treatment options for women suffering with pelvic floor disorders. AUGS accepts unrestricted corporate funding to support the Society's educational programs, patient education, and research. These funds are used to support the infrastructure needed to host these types of initiatives (i.e., audiovisual, location rental fees, staff support and marketing). These funds are not used to support social events or meal functions held during the educational program.

We would like to thank the following companies for their support this past year.

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