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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT...

We hope you will join us for our **Corporate Advisory Board Meeting on March 29, 2019** in Washington, DC. Time TBD.

Be an association partner for the [Centennial Congress of the Medical Women's International Association](#) in New York City July 25-28, 2019.

Organize on-site meetings with international attendees and reach medical trainees to promote various specialties in medicine. Special Graduate Medical Education (GME) session on Friday, July 26, 2019.

AMWA kicked off **strategic planning** at our interim meeting, with a goal of completion by February 2019. We welcome your input.

Take a look at our new [Infographic](#) that provides a snapshot of AMWA.

AMWA serves on the physician advisory committee for a new coalition, the [Alliance for Advancing Women's Health](#), which launched Oct. 1st. The initiative's goal is to raise awareness and improve outcomes in women's sexual health.

We'd love to hear from you! Contact AMWA's Executive Director, Dr. Eliza Chin at ExecutiveDirector@amwa-doc.org.

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Welcome to the first issue of AMWA ADVOCATE, a quarterly bulletin for AMWA's partner organizations. We appreciate your collaboration in advancing our work.

NEWS

AMWA President, Connie B. Newman, MD, went to Capitol Hill in July to educate Congress on addiction and how the opioid epidemic particularly affects women. Dr. Newman and Dr. Kim Templeton wrote [an op-ed](#) that was published in *The Hill*.

AMWA leaders participated in meetings of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NAEM) to improve [physician well-being](#) and [prevent sexual harassment](#). AMWA has ongoing initiatives to address physician wellness and burnout as well as the "leaky pipeline" of women in medicine.

In the wake of more shootings, AMWA's Gun Violence Prevention Task Force (GVPT) continues to advocate for solutions to this public health crisis. Our leaders helped co-author the [AFFIRM medical provider petition](#) on gun violence being "in our lane."

AMWA co-sponsored the [Sex & Gender Health Education Summit](#) which convened over 250 representatives from institutions nationwide to promote sex and gender specific health curricula in medicine, nursing, dentistry, pharmacy, and allied health.

Our [Physicians Against the Trafficking of Humans \(PATH\)](#) task force has hosted trainings nationwide to educate healthcare providers about human trafficking.

AMWA was a partner organization for two key conventions: [HLTH: The Future of Healthcare](#) (May 2018) and the [World Health Care Congress](#) (May 2018) as well as the [Innovation Venture Summits](#) held at Google and Stanford Research Park.

AMWA's Medical Humanities Initiative invites healthcare providers to explore visual arts, history, literature, and other pursuits that will enhance physician well-being and build empathy. Planned exhibitions include film, music, and photojournalism to complement the current on-line exhibitions on [art](#), [writing](#), and [history](#). We welcome engagement from all women in medicine.

AMWA's Film, [At Home and Over There](#), honors the contributions of women physicians in WWI. A [traveling exhibit](#) is being hosted at institutions nationwide.