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**Katharine Jeffreys, BA to be Recognized with 2023 Camille Mermod Award
at the American Medical Women's Association 2023 Annual Meeting**

(Schaumburg IL)— March 8, 2023—The American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) is delighted to announce that Katharine Jeffreys, BA, of the University of Pennsylvania Pre-Health Specialized Studies Program and Assistant Director of the American Medical Women's Association is the 2023 Camille Mermod Awardee. She will be presented with her award during the 108th AMWA Annual Meeting, March 23-26 in Philadelphia.

"Mrs. Jeffreys has been the strength behind AMWA as she worked with us during her gap years and we are proud to have her as a member of AMWA and as an administrator for AMWA." said AMWA President, [Theresa Rohr-Kirchgraber, MD](#), who is Professor of Medicine at AU/UGA Medical Partnership. "Organized, focused, passionate, Ms Ross Jennings will be an excellent physician and we are proud to have been a part of her career journey."

AMWA's Camille Mermod Award was initiated in 1969 by Josephine E. Renshaw, M.D. The award is given to a non-physician who has rendered exceptional service to the association. It need not be awarded every year, but only when it is justly deserved. On rare occasions, the award is presented to a physician whose exceptional service to the Association is unrelated to her capacity as a physician.

Katharine Jeffreys was born and raised in St. Louis, Missouri. She graduated from University of Chicago in 2019. After college, she found her passion for addressing health disparities as a Research Assistant on a study examining the effects of stress on pregnancy outcomes in low-income African-American women. After seeing the importance of representation in medicine, she decided to pursue her passion for reducing health disparities as a physician.

In 2021, she graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Pre-Health Specialized Studies Program. She currently serves as the Assistant Director of the American Medical Women's Association. Personally affected by the issues of gun violence and domestic violence, Katharine advocates for policies and practices that reduce violence. She serves as the Administrative Director of AMWA's Gun Violence Solutions Committee and Co-Chair of AMWA's Domestic Violence Prevention Committee. Katharine is also the co-creator of the podcast, Unloading: Community Solutions for Gun Violence.

About The 108th AMWA Annual Meeting

Our 2023 theme, *Thriving, Leading, Transforming* reflects AMWA's aspiration for women in medicine and the impact they have collectively and individually. Our program focuses on diversity, leadership, and advocacy, with compelling keynotes, discussions, and workshops, and the first-ever AMWA Healthcare Innovation Challenge **Learn more:** bit.ly/amwa2023

ABOUT AMWA

[American Medical Women's Association](https://www.amwa-doc.org/) is a multispecialty organization of women physicians committed to advancing women in medicine, advocating for equity, and ensuring excellence in health care. Learn more at [amwa-doc.org](https://www.amwa-doc.org/).

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