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President's Corner

In these uncertain times, we value the connections to our international perinatal mental health community, and our commitment to research and high quality care.

Please read on for news about the 2020 conference, the leadership slate for the 2020 election, and other updates.

President Lisa Segre

2020 Biennial Conference, University of Iowa



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Biennial Meeting

Innovations in Research,
Policy and Clinical Care

October 5-8, 2020

Iowa City, Iowa,
United States



A Message to Participants

You may be wondering whether we are still having the 2020 Marcé conference in light of the pandemic. As of today (April 7), the conference is six months away. I, in consultation with our Executive Board and the University of Iowa Center for Conferences, recognize that the trajectory of this pandemic is uncertain. We will continue to evaluate travel restrictions/recommendations and keep you informed of all decisions about the conference on the conference website, <https://marce2020.com/>. In the spirit of the message from Queen Elizabeth, in a rare public address, "We should take comfort that while we may have more still to endure, better days will return...we will meet again." And we hope it will be in Iowa City in October.

On a positive note, we are pleased that there were over 450 submitted abstracts! The Scientific Committee-both chairs and reviewers- are currently reviewing the abstracts exactly as we would in normal circumstances. We plan to send out notification letters as soon as these reviews are complete. We know that abstracts that are reviewed and accepted are still of value to you, whatever the eventual status of the meeting.

Lisa Segre, President



40th Anniversary Fund

In January Jennifer Payne, a current board member, launched an ambitious fundraising campaign to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the International Marcé Society. Jennifer led a team from the Executive Office and Marce's Communication Strategist Rita Stockhowe to develop an impactful, accessible program to invite donations and support the continued success of the Society.

The campaign is off to a great start with contributions of almost \$5,000 from seven donors in just over one month. In our 40th year, please consider making a contribution of any size that is comfortable for your budget! As a team, we can:

- Supplement membership fees for residents of Low and Middle Income countries
- Bring international experts together through Special Interest Groups to increase knowledge in key areas such as perinatal loss, the unique role of fathers, and concealed pregnancy
- Support students and early career practitioners with reduced membership fees and new communications channels
- Provide funding for Early Career members to participate in our biennial conferences

Please consider a contribution at any level:

SUPPORTERS CIRCLE: \$40
ADVOCATES CIRCLE: \$100
CHAMPIONS CIRCLE: \$400
PARTNERS CIRCLE: \$1,000
RUBY CIRCLE: \$4,000+

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2020 Election

On behalf of the leadership of the Society, we extend our appreciation to those who responded to the Call for Nominations for the 2020 Executive of the International Marcé Society for Perinatal Mental Health. We are fortunate to have a strong international representation in the slate of candidates for the open positions: President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and five Board positions.

Please review the information below or visit <https://marcesociety.com/about/2020-election/> to learn more about the candidates. *Voting members will be notified before the ballots are distributed by email.* You should expect to receive the ballot for voting by the end of April; voting will be closed by the end of May. Please watch the listserv for updates. If you have any questions, please contact info@marcesociety.com.



President Elect

Candidate: Jennifer Payne

Nominated by: Michael O'Hara and Lisa Segre

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Secretary

Candidate: Deb Sims

Nominated by: Elly Taylor and Karen Wynter

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Treasurer



Candidate: Vivette Glover

Nominated by: Louise Howard and Lisa Segre

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Board Member

Candidate: Adrienne Griffen

Nominated by: Nancy Byatt and Jennifer Payne

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Board Member

Candidate: Ian Jones

Nominated by: Vivette Glover and Louise Howard

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Board Member

Candidate: Susan Kittel-Schneider

Nominated by: Maria Muzik and Patricia Trautmann-Villaba

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Board Member

Candidate: Lavinia Lumu

Nominated by: Simone Honikman and Carina Marsay



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Board Member

Candidate: Catherine Monk

Nominated by: Vivette Glover and Jennifer Payne

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Board Member

Candidate: Ibone Olza

Nominated by: Claudia Klier and Simone Honikman

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Board Member

Candidate: Lauren Osborne

Nominated by: Jennifer Payne and Lisa Segre

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Board Member

Candidate: Nicole Reilly

Nominated by: Jane Honikman and Lisa Segre

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COVID-19 Perinatal Mental Health Resources

We are in the process of collecting information about the COVID-19 pandemic and perinatal mental health to be posted on the International Marcé website. If you have resources that you believe would be appropriate and useful, please send to the Executive Office, lmiller@parthenonmgmt.com

Thank you for any help you can give. We look forward to sharing the link to the International web page as soon as it is available.

Diamond Members

With appreciation for those who have supported International Marcé with Diamond membership:

John Cox
Masako Nagata
Kristiaan Plasmans
Anja Wittkowski
Hiroshi Yamashita

Consider becoming a Diamond member for our 40th anniversary!

Contact [Laura Miller](#).



