



AMDA National Update

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Important Society Transitions



After 10+ years as AMDA's Executive Director, Christopher Laxton, CAE stepped down in April 2023 to retire from full-time work. We thanked Chris for his decade of service at the PALTC23 Annual Meeting in Tampa.

After an extensive search, the Board appointed Michelle Zinnert, CAE as AMDA's new Executive Director. She comes to us after 16 years with the American Uro-Gynecological Society (AUGS). Michelle started with us at the end of April 2023.



Important Society Transitions



- Completed a search for a new JAMDA Editor-in-Chief team, naming Barbara Resnick, PhD, RN and Paul Katz, MD, CMD as co-editors in chief.
- JAMDA is now online-only, with many points of access:
 - AMDA website: <https://profile.paltc.org/jamda>
 - JAMDA website: www.jamda.com
 - AMDA app (free download for Apple or Android)

Strategic Initiatives

Advocacy

Protect and advance the clinician voice to ensure optimal and equitable outcomes for PALTC medicine

Organization Vitality

Preserve and align resources with AMDA's mission

Education & Clinical Affairs

Provide widespread access to education, training, and clinical best practices

Stakeholder Expansion

Grow and engage all clinicians working in PALTC medicine

Emerging Issues

- Workforce/Staffing – physician, APP, medical director
- Transparency – focus on medical director transparency (e.g. H.R. 177)
- COVID/RSV/Infection control
- Equity, inclusion, and belonging
- Telehealth for medical care and medical direction
- Schizophrenia diagnosis and antipsychotic measure



Big Future Goal – Membership Growth

- Guided by members' needs, providing relevant and timely resources
- Transform our structures and procedures to be nimble and responsive to member's needs



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Big Future Goal – Workforce Expansion

- Attract the next generation of clinicians-in-training to PALTC medicine and AMDA
- Continue to grow and enhance the Futures Program
- Develop trainee/student specific educational resources to develop a stronger pipeline of clinicians working in PALTC medicine
- **More of a Good Thing Series** returns with roundtable discussions focusing on the role of leadership in retention and recruitment of PALTC staff.
 - 8 leadership modules led by JoAnne Reifsnyder, PhD, MSN, MBA, Professor of Health Services and Leadership Management, Univ. of Maryland School of Nursing

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NEW DATES:

SATURDAY, MARCH 9 -

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024

Registration opens Nov. 1

Call for Papers Deadline – Nov. 6

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Thank you for all you do!

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