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NAMS Meeting Nears

"Don't miss the year's most exciting meeting in the field of women's health," urges Elizabeth Barrett-Connor, MD, Chair of the Scientific Committee. "It's not too late to register."

The 12th Annual Meeting of The North American Menopause Society, to be held in New Orleans October 4-6, beckons with an enticing theme ("Focus on Diversity: Women are Different"), a prestigious faculty and an opportunity to earn up to 21.5 CME hours. The meeting promises to provide attendees with new ideas for research and patient care, not only through material presented in the program, but also through abstracts, commercial exhibits and networking opportunities with the world's experts. Add the allure of New Orleans and you have a meeting that's a "must."

"Plan on arriving before 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 3, so you'll not miss out on any of the evening's events," says Carolyn Develen, NAMS Administrative Director and coordinator of the Annual Meeting. "If you're there by 7:30 you can enjoy the Dessert Reception, complete with a marching jazz band."

Contact the NAMS Central Office for meeting registration and housing information, or register online through the NAMS Web site.

Menopause Review Course Offered

This year NAMS will offer its first premeeting review course, "Menopause Basics," on October 3, 8:00 a.m. until noon.

"This course has been developed in response to many requests received by the Society since its inception," explains Lila E. Nachtigall, MD, NAMS 2000-2001 President. "Much work has gone into the program to ensure that it includes all of the issues that are important to a basic understanding of the field."

The course offers many benefits: It is a comprehensive, yet concise, overview; it affords ideal preparation for the menopause competency examinations and provides the opportunity to earn 3.5 CME credit hours. Menopause Basics is an excellent introductory course for the Annual Meeting (which will explore the topics in more detail) and, at the same time, offers practical guidelines for those unable to attend the Annual Meeting. All participants will receive a complimentary copy of the 344-page NAMS *Menopause Core Curriculum Study Guide*, a \$100 value. Contact the NAMS Central Office for registration materials, or register online through the NAMS Web site.

Competency Exams at NAMS Meeting

Those who wish to sit for the Menopause Clinician or Menopause Educator competency examinations on the afternoon of October 3 (Wednesday) are urged to register with

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the National Certification Corporation (312/951-0207 or www.nccnet.org). Other sites/dates are also available. To help prepare for the exam, order the *Menopause Core Curriculum Study Guide* from NAMS. (The *Guide* can be previewed on the NAMS Web site.)

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