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New NAMS Leadership

At the recent 17th Annual Meeting of The North American Menopause Society (NAMS) in Nashville, TN, Marilyn L. Rothert, PhD, RN, FAAN, was elected NAMS President for the 2006–2007 term, ending at the 2007 Annual Meeting convening in Dallas on October 3–6. She follows George I. Gorodeski, MD, PhD, in that leadership position. After a long and distinguished career in nursing and education, including 13 years as the Dean of the College of Nursing at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Dr. Rothert has

returned to the faculty as a professor with plans to retire in early 2007.

“It’s a great honor to have been elected President of an organization that has helped me for close to 20 years,” said Dr. Rothert. “I discovered NAMS while doing research on how women make health decisions around the

time of menopause. I relied on the Society as a major source of accurate information.”

As part of her Presidency, Dr. Rothert noted the following key goals:

- Support NAMS in continuing to be an accurate, accessible resource to both health-care providers and women, and
- Launch the NAMS Foundation as a support organization for the Society, broadening the

financial support for the Society’s Mission (as NAMS President, Dr. Rothert serves on the Foundation Board of Directors).

“We are indeed fortunate that Dr. Rothert will help guide NAMS and the NAMS Foundation at this critical time,” said Wulf H. Utian, MD, PhD, NAMS Executive Director and Founding President of the NAMS Foundation. “Her leadership and fundraising expertise will help to ensure the success of both the Society and the NAMS Foundation.”

Other NAMS officers for 2006–2007 include Victor W. Henderson, MD, MS (President-Elect), Professor, Departments of Health Research & Policy and Neurology & Neurological Sciences, Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, CA; JoAnn V. Pinkerton, MD (Treasurer), Professor, Department of Ob/Gyn, Medical Director, The Women’s Place, Midlife Health Center, University of Virginia Health Sciences Center, Charlottesville; Leon Speroff, MD (Secretary), Professor of Ob/Gyn, Oregon Health and Science University, Portland; and George I. Gorodeski, MD, PhD (Immediate Past President), Professor of Reproductive Biology, Oncology, and Physiology and Biophysics, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, Case Medical Center, Department of Ob/Gyn, Cleveland, OH.

Updated HT Recommendations Available Soon

The Society is continually developing unbiased educational materials that reflect the current science for healthcare

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providers and their patients. Available soon will be the updated NAMS Position Statement on the role of hormone therapy. It will first be published in the Mar/Apr 2007 issue of *Menopause*, then posted on the NAMS Web site.

“This Position Statement will be a big help in guiding clinical practice,” said Wulf H. Utian, MD, PhD, Chair of the Advisory Panel that developed the paper. “Key points will be summarized in the Mar/Apr issue of *Menopause Management*.”

2006 NAMS Annual Meeting Proceedings Available

“This year’s Annual Meeting and the Pre-Conference Postgraduate Course addressing bioidentical hormones received high rankings from attendees,” reported Carolyn Develen, NAMS Administrative Director and coordinator of the Annual Meet-

ing. “If you were not able to attend, be sure to review the proceedings that are available.”

- Abstracts of all presentations (live and poster) are featured within the NAMS Web site. Abstracts of all presentations, except the five industry-supported Satellite Symposia, are published in the Nov/Dec 2006 issue of *Menopause*.
- CD recordings of the Plenary Sessions, Scientific Sessions, and Satellite Symposia are available for a nominal fee from Conference Media Contractors (call 888/222-1614 toll-free in the US; outside the US, call 970/207-1614, or order online at www.conferencemedia.net).
- Highlights of all five Satellite Symposia will be published as a CME supplement mailed with the Mar/Apr 2007 issue of *Menopause Management*.
- A 3-disk CD set of the Postgraduate Course is available for a nominal fee from NAMS. Place your order through the secure Web Store. Also, a complimentary monograph of the course highlights will be mailed in March 2007 to all NAMS members, thanks to an unrestricted grant from Solvay Pharmaceuticals, Inc., the supporter of the course. Nonmembers will be able to purchase the monograph, which is designated a CME activity.

Future NAMS Meetings

18th NAMS Annual Meeting

October 3–6, 2007
Dallas, TX

19th NAMS Annual Meeting

September 24–27, 2008
Orlando, FL

20th NAMS Annual Meeting

September 30–October 3, 2009
San Diego, CA

21st NAMS Annual Meeting

October 6–9, 2010
Chicago, IL

22nd NAMS Annual Meeting

September 21–24, 2011
Washington, DC

Exam News

The Society is proud to report that 127 healthcare providers earned the credential of NAMS Menopause Practitioner during 2006. If you are a licensed healthcare provider and do not have this prestigious credential, complete with lapel pin and certificate, plan now to sit for the examination during 2007. For details, see the 2007 *Candidate Handbook* (www.menopause.org/compexam.htm). ■