

# NAMS News



## Attend NAMS Annual Meeting to Stay Current

“Within the past year or so, an incredible amount of menopause research has been published on menopause and menopausal health,” said Victor W. Henderson, MD, MS, Chair of the 2007 Scientific Program Committee. “It is difficult for busy practitioners to keep up with what’s current, and it is easy to be out-of-date. I encourage your attendance at this year’s Annual Meeting in October, where latest research will be presented by the key investigators and nationally acclaimed clinical leaders, including the translation of new science into clinical practice.”

The meeting—convening October 3-6, 2007 at the magnificent Gaylord Hotel in Dallas, Texas—promises a full range of informative presentations. Highlights include the following:

- The Scientific Program Committee is both pleased and honored that Ms. Tara Parker-Pope, the well-respected health editor for *The Wall Street Journal*, will deliver the Keynote Address—discussing the impact of the media on women’s health
- For the NAMS/Wyeth Utian Endowed Lecture, the Committee has invited internationally recognized scientist Henry G. Burger, MD, Emeritus Director of Prince Henry’s Institute of Medical Research in Melbourne, Australia. His presentation is “Cycle and Hormone Changes During Perimenopause”

- 7 Plenary Sessions
- 4 Supported Symposia
- 6 Scientific Abstract Sessions
- 1 Quiz the Experts Session
- 1 Poster Session
- An opportunity to earn over 20 hours of continuing medical education credits

Register by returning the completed form found on the NAMS Web site: [www.menopause.org](http://www.menopause.org)

## Abstract Submission Deadline July 31

Late-breaking scientific abstracts for the NAMS Annual Meeting may be submitted until July 31, 2007. Those that are accepted will be eligible for the Poster Prize (but not oral presentation), and will be published in the *Program* and in the NAMS official journal *Menopause*. Submit through the NAMS Web site ([www.menopause.org/meetings/abstracts.htm](http://www.menopause.org/meetings/abstracts.htm)).

## Why the NAMS Menopause Practitioner Credential?

A few years ago, women were increasingly contacting NAMS for assistance in locating a healthcare provider who offered competent menopause-related health care. We would provide them with a referral list of Society members with the caveat that NAMS could not attest to their knowledge in the field. Soon, the NAMS Board of Trustees

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decided to identify the core competencies of a menopause-related healthcare provider; an examination program was created to test these competencies. Through this program, the Society can highlight those who passed the examination on its referral list for consumers.

Join this prestigious group—demonstrate *your* competence in the field this year by sitting the 100-item examination. It will be offered next on October 3rd in Dallas, just before the Annual Meeting convenes. For more, go to the NAMS Web site ([www.menopause.org/compexam.htm](http://www.menopause.org/compexam.htm)).

### New Position Statement on Vaginal ET

The May/June issue of the NAMS official journal *Menopause* features a new NAMS position statement evaluating the safety and effectiveness of local vaginal estrogen products for the treatment of vaginal atrophy in postmenopausal women. This paper is a must-read for the menopause practitioner. It's also designated a NAMS CME activity (in print and online). NAMS is grateful to the Editorial Board—Gloria A. Bachmann, MD (Chair); Shawna L. Johnston, MD; Bruce Kessel, MD; M. Tish Knobf, RN,

PhD; and Elizabeth G. Stewart, MD—and the grantor, Novo Nordisk, Inc. You'll find the paper, a slide set, and the CME opportunity on the NAMS Web site ([www.menopause.org/aboutmeno/consensus.htm](http://www.menopause.org/aboutmeno/consensus.htm)).

### New Comprehensive Review of Surgical Menopause

Arriving with the May/June issue of *Menopause* is a supplement developed by NAMS to meet the healthcare provider's need for current information on the acute and long-term physical and emotional consequences of surgical menopause. Guest Editor Robert A. Wild, MD, PhD, MPH, and 13 other distinguished authors submitted articles that were peer-reviewed by the *Menopause* Editorial Board. NAMS thanks all involved, including the grantor, Solvay Pharmaceuticals, Inc. The review offers an opportunity to earn 6.5 CME credits, via print or on the NAMS Web site ([www.menopause.org/cme\\_activities.htm](http://www.menopause.org/cme_activities.htm)).

### Call for Award Nominations

NAMS is offering 24 recognition awards this year, with most focused on an individual's body of research in specific fields of study. Nominate worthy candidates (including yourself) by mail, fax, or online before July 20. Winners will be notified by August 3. For more, see the NAMS Web site ([www.menopause.org/awardsbooklet07.pdf](http://www.menopause.org/awardsbooklet07.pdf)).

### 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

### NAMS Educational Materials Praised

We continue to receive high marks for the NAMS professional and consumer education materials. Have you taken advantage of all they offer? What's more, the new Order Form ([www.menopause.org/orderform.pdf](http://www.menopause.org/orderform.pdf)) features lower prices for many of the educational materials.