



Global Initiative Against HPV and Cervical Cancer

GIAHC: A Year in Review

January-December 2019

Us vs HPV Webinar Series

We started 2019 on a great note! We launched our very first [Us vs. HPV webinar series](#) in partnership with the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) and Indiana University National Center of Excellence of Women's Health, from January 22-25 and January 28, 2019. We had over 1000 live attendees for our five webinars and we continue to get viewings on our archived recordings.

Our message reached 48 states where there were individual activities organized during this week. We were also fortunate to receive the support from a wide group of organizations and individuals as well, including the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecologists, National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health, National HPV Vaccination Roundtable, Planned Parenthood, and more.



Us vs HPV Supporters

(note: some supporters wished to remain anonymous)

In addition, we had the opportunity to screen the short film [Lady Ganga: Nilza's Story](#) to a Hollywood group at the 5th Annual Raw Science Film Festival in Los Angeles, to spread the message on HPV and cervical cancer elimination.



At the RAW Science Film Festival

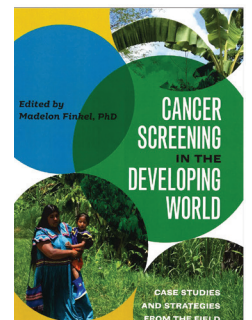
Our webinar recordings were also uploaded by several organizations, including the International Papillomavirus Society for [Global HPV Awareness Day](#), celebrated on March 4th.

Dr. Krishnan Assumes Leadership Role in AMWA

This spring, Dr. Krishnan was elected to the [Board of Directors of the American Medical Women's Association](#) to carry out AMWA's mission to advance women in medicine, advocate for equity, and ensure excellence in health care. In addition she will help to lead AMWA on a national and international level to participate in WHO's cervical cancer elimination initiative.

Publication Receives Award

We were delighted when the book, [Cancer Screening in the Developing World: Case Studies and Strategies from the Field](#) won a medal from the Independent Publisher Book Awards in the Health/Medicine/Nutrition category. The book, published by the Dartmouth



College Press, was edited by Dr. Madelon Finkel. Dr. Krishnan contributed a chapter outlining GIAHC's global experience with cervical cancer prevention.

New Partnership with The Hope Project

One of the highlights for the year was the GIAHC's work with Dr. Patricia Garcia, former health minister of Peru and Professor at Cayetano Heredia University on the [Hope Project](#).

GIAHC worked with their team to produce awareness videos in their local languages, including Spanish, English, Quechua, and Aymara. The videos can be played [here](#).



Women working with the Hope Project

Women Deliver Conference

Another significant event was our participation at the Women Deliver Conference in Vancouver, where we collaborated in the WHO event, *Every Country Can Eliminate Cervical Cancer*.



MWIA Conference

In July, GIAHC participated in the [Centennial Congress](#) of the Medical Women's International Association (MWIA) by giving more visibility to WHO's cervical cancer elimination initiative.

HPV and Cervical Cancer Champion Award

GIAHC's 2019 HPV and Cervical cancer Award was presented to Dr. Reid Merzler, medical student at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, for her dedication and leadership of the GIAHC Young leader's program. You can read more about Reid and her accomplishment [here](#).



Cervical Cancer Awareness Walk in NYC

In November, we supported Basic Health International (BHI) in a cervical cancer awareness run/walk in New York City to raise awareness about the disease. [Our flyer](#) was created by the GIAHC [Young Leader's Program](#).



Lady Ganga Trailblazer Award

The [2019 Lady Ganga Trailblazer Award](#) was presented to Dr. Miriam Cremer of Basic Health International for her inspiring work in the secondary prevention of cervical cancer.



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