Podiatry Institute Leads the Way With Its All-Female Faculty in Denver

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In September,
Denver was the host
to the Podiatry
Institute's debut
conference:
"Stepping ForwardLeading the Way: A
Comprehensive Foot
and Ankle
Conference
Providing a Platform
for the Women of
Podiatry".



From left to right, back row: Karen Moon, DPM; Thanh Dinh, DPM; Annette Filiatrault, DPM; Lois Downey, Esq.; Tracey Vlahovic, DPM; Stephanie Wu, DPM; Caitlyn Lee, DPM; front row, Scientific Chairpersons: Michelle Butterworth, DPM; Mary Crawford, DPM; Mitzi Williams, DPM

Lead by Scientific Chairs Michelle Butterworth, DPM, Mary Crawford, DPM, Meagan Jennings, DPM, and Mitzi Williams, DPM, this three-day conference covered topics from arthrodesis to onychomycosis. In addition to evidenced based medicine lecture topics presented by distinguished faculty from around the US, attendees also learned about various risk management topics and were treated to a presentation of a research project looking at the statistics of women in podiatry. During the conference, issues that many deal with on a daily basis such as childcare, balancing work and family, and being a female in a male dominated profession were discussed by the entire group at breakout sessions. This conference presented a unique opportunity with an all-female faculty providing high level and high yield topics converging with round table discussions about life as a female practitioner.

I was proud to be a part of a conference that not only featured the scientific chairs, but also Drs. Thanh Dinh, Annette Filiatrault, Aprajita Nakra, Stephanie Wu, Karen Moon, Caitlyn Lee, and Lois Downey, J.M.C. This conference will continue the momentum it built with another meeting at the Intercontinental Buckhead Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia on May 16-18, 2019. All are welcome to attend this exciting and singular format that encourages all to participate both collegially and socially.