

Obstetrics and Gynecology

St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center  
Annual Stewardship Report  
July 2017

*With deep appreciation, St. Joseph's Foundation presents this annual report to the members of the MICA Medical Foundation to demonstrate gratitude and illustrate how the organization's support is benefiting medical education at St. Joseph's Hospital, specifically in the specialty of obstetrics and gynecology.*

### **The Crossroads of Compassion and Quality Care**

Excellence in education has been a tenet of Dignity Health St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center ever since it was founded by the Sisters of Mercy more than 120 years ago. Similar to the philosophy core to MICA Medical Foundation, St. Joseph's leadership believes the quality of medical education provided today is directly proportional to the quality of care that will be available to our community in the future. The team at St. Joseph's is exceptionally grateful for the generosity shared by the MICA Medical Foundation and is committed to maximizing the return on this investment—for the benefit of the community served by both organizations.



With a reputation for providing education of distinction, St. Joseph's is able to attract students with the greatest potential to its residency and fellowship programs, which span a wide breadth of specialties, from family and internal medicine, neurology, neurosurgery, pharmacy, trauma and radiology, to surgery, pulmonary and cardiovascular disease, obstetrics and gynecology. Students are immersed in a collaborative, supportive environment, learning from

the highest caliber of clinicians and faculty in the country. Equally important, residents learn the practice of compassionate medicine through the hospital’s signature brand of “hello humankindness.”

### **The Obstetrics and Gynecology Residency Training Program**

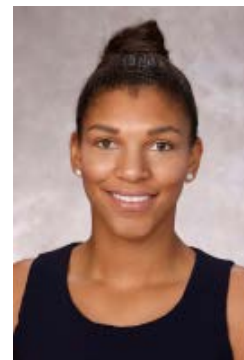
St. Joseph’s Foundation is very grateful to the MICA Medical Foundation for pledging a scholarship to one four-year resident entering the program in 2016, with a consecutive scholarship pledged in 2017. The first awardee, Meisje Burton, MD, recently concluded the PGY I curriculum and is immediately transitioning into PGY II. Simultaneously, PGY 1 training has already begun for the newly selected scholar, Taylor Jenkins, MD.

The residents are enrolled in the Phoenix Integrated Residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology, a four-year curriculum accredited by the Accreditation Counsel for Graduate Medical Education. The students train primarily at two medical centers throughout this program—at St. Joseph’s and Maricopa Integrated Health System. Together, the hospitals deliver more than 10,000 babies a year, providing maternal support and tertiary care as needed. Upon graduation, the scholars will be adept at caring for a full-range of obstetrics and gynecology care.

PGY 1 residents first enter an “OB Boot camp,” splitting time between both facilities and familiarizing themselves with other residents and the attending physicians. Throughout the year, they’ll spend blocks in obstetrics, gynecology, surgical intensive care, antepartum and ultra sound. PGY II is more focused on patient care and the operating room, along with ambulatory care and family planning.

### **The MICA Medical Foundation Scholars**

MICA Medical Foundation’s first scholar is Meisje Burton, MD, MBA, graduate of the University of Arizona College of Medicine - Phoenix. Prior to medical school, she received a bachelor’s degree in biology with an emphasis in pre-medicine and a minor in chemistry. She also holds an MBA from Barry University, Florida. Dr. Burton’s goal in pursuing a residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology is to become an exceptional physician, and a future leader and advocate in the field.





Taylor Jenkins, MD, also graduated from University of Arizona College of Medicine – Phoenix before being awarded the MICA Medical Foundation scholarship. She received her bachelor’s degree in nutrition sciences, gaining research experience relating to obstetrics, gynecology and nutrition to throughout her undergraduate studies.

### **In gratitude**

Your generosity makes it possible for St. Joseph’s to fulfil its promise to offer the most advanced care, delivered through *humankindness*, to every patient seeking care—backed by a commitment that medical providers will graduate from education programs of excellence. St. Joseph’s Foundation extends sincere gratitude to the MICA Medical Foundation for partnering on this important lifesaving, life-sustaining mission.

### **St. Joseph’s Foundation**

Dignity Health St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center is committed to furthering the healing ministry of Jesus by providing high-quality, affordable healthcare to the Phoenix community and beyond. St. Joseph’s was founded in 1895 by the Sisters of Mercy, making it the most-established hospital in the Valley. St. Joseph’s Foundation was founded in 1981 to continue the rich philanthropic tradition established by the Sisters of Mercy. The foundation raises funds to support patient care, education and research at St. Joseph’s Hospital ensuring all patients are offered the best medical services available, provided with kindness, compassion and respect.