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## **JOURNAL OF MIDWIFERY & WOMEN'S HEALTH RECOGNIZES TOP AUTHORS AND ARTICLES OF 2012**

*Official Journal of ACNM Honors Exceptional Authors at Annual Meeting in Nashville*

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**Silver Spring, MD**—The *Journal of Midwifery & Women's Health*, the official journal of the American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM), honored the contributions of exceptional authors with 3 awards presented at the ACNM 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting & Exposition in Nashville, TN. At a ceremony on Saturday, June 1, Editor-in-Chief, Frances E. Likis, DrPH, NP, CNM, FACNM, announced the winners of the 2013 Best Research Article Award, Best Review Article Award, and Mary Ann Shah New Author Award. These awards honor authors whose articles were published in 2012 and are sponsored by the Journal's publisher, Wiley-Blackwell.

The 2013 *Journal of Midwifery & Women's Health* Award Winners include:

### Best Research Article of the Year Award

**Cara Osborne, CNM, MSN, SD; Jeffrey L. Ecker, MD; Kimberlee Gauvreau, ScD; and Ellice Lieberman, MD, DrPH**

For the article entitled, "First Birth Cesarean and Risk of Antepartum Fetal Death in a Subsequent Pregnancy," published in Volume 57, Number 1 (January/February 2012) of the *Journal of Midwifery & Women's Health*. This study found an increased risk of antepartum fetal death in subsequent pregnancies for women whose first birth was by cesarean. *This award is given annually to honor an author for contributions to the Journal that enhance midwifery and women's health through the publication of outstanding research articles that promote understanding of clinical practice, policy, education, or research.*

### Best Review Article of the Year Award

**Katrina Alef Thorstensen, CNM, MSN, and Debra L. Birenbaum, MD**

For the article entitled, "Recognition and Management of Vulvar Dermatologic Conditions: Lichen Sclerosus, Lichen Planus, and Lichen Simplex Chronicus," published in Volume 57, Number 3 (May/June 2012) of the *Journal of Midwifery & Women's Health*. This article discusses the importance of the recognition and treatment of vulvar dermatologic conditions in providing symptom relief, preventing progressive vulvar scarring, and performing surveillance for vulvar cancer.

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### Mary Ann Shah New Author Award

**Jeanne Murphy, CNM, MSN**

For the article entitled, "Cervical Cancer Screening in the Era of Human Papillomavirus Testing and Vaccination" published in Volume 57, Number 6 (November/December 2012) of the *Journal of Midwifery & Women's Health* and co-authored by Hayley Mark, PhD, MPH, RN. This review outlines recent advances in the fight against cervical cancer, including human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines and new guidelines for screening and utilizing HPV testing.

*This award recognizes a certified nurse-midwife (CNM) or certified midwife (CM) who publishes for the first time as the primary author of an original research or review article. The award is given annually in honor of the accomplishments of Mary Ann Shah, CNM, MS, FACNM, Editor Emeritus of the JMWH, and recognizes her outstanding achievements as Editor-in-Chief for 25 years.*

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The American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM) is the professional association that represents certified nurse-midwives (CNMs) and certified midwives (CMs) in the United States. With roots dating to 1929, ACNM sets the standard for excellence in midwifery education and practice in the United States and strengthens the capacity of midwives in developing countries. Our members are primary care providers for women throughout the lifespan, with a special emphasis on pregnancy, childbirth, and gynecologic and reproductive health. ACNM reviews research, administers and promotes continuing education programs, and works with organizations, state and federal agencies, and members of Congress to advance the well-being of women and infants through the practice of midwifery. More information about ACNM can be found at [www.midwife.org](http://www.midwife.org)

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