

# 13<sup>th</sup> FIAPAC Conference

**Liberating women - Removing barriers and increasing access to safe abortion care**

**14-15 September 2018, Nantes, France**

## Scientific programme

### SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

**Friday, 14 September 2018**

**08:00 Registration**

**09:00 - 10:30 Opening**

Auditorium 450

- Welcome by the Local Organising Team – Philippe David, France
- Setting the scene: FIAPAC President - Sharon Cameron, UK
- Arts & theatre intervention: "Le cas de mademoiselle L. 14 ans"  
Pièce de Romain Fohr, Mise en scène: Alan Boone, avec les acteurs de la troupe NOVECENTO. Company: l'Aria.

**10:30 - 11:30 Refreshments, exhibition and poster presentations**

Mezzanine

**11:30 - 12:30 Plenary Session 1: Abortion Laws and policies**

Auditorium 450 Chairs: Antonelle Lavelanet, WHO - Rebecca Gomperts, Netherlands

11:30 – 11:50 WHO/UNPD global database on abortion laws and policies – Antonella Lavelanet, WHO

11:50 – 12:10 Do we need abortion laws? Legal perspective – Joanna Erdman, Canada

12:10 – 12:30 Do we need abortion laws? Public health perspective - Caroline Moreau, France/US

**12:30 - 14:00 Lunch, exhibition and poster presentations**

Mezzanine

**13:00 – 14:00 Lunch sessions**

Room 200

**Lunch session 1: RCOG session**

**"Women's access to abortion is at crisis point" - what can be done to fix the system? Perspectives from the UK and South Africa**

Panel: Valerie Truby, South Africa (LSC Programme Manager) -  
– Patricia Lohr, UK

- Creation, implementation and impact of a Comprehensive Abortion Care Optimization Strategy in the Western Cape, South Africa - Valerie Truby, South Africa
- RCOG Abortion Task Force - Patricia Lohr, UK

Auditorium 450 **Lunch session 2: abortion progress in several parts of the world**

Chairs: Sharon Cameron UK - Mary Favier, Ireland

- Progress with medical abortion in Thailand – Kamheang Chaturachinda, Thailand
- After the Referendum: Abortion in Ireland - Caitriona Henchion, Ireland
- Developments in Poland – Martyna Edyta, Poland

Room GH

**Lunch session 3: Abortion stigma discussion panel**

Chairs: Sam Rowlands, UK – Audrey Brown, UK

- Abortion in Scotland – moving from stigma to positivity - Carrie Purcell, Scotland
- What role can community-based education play in challenging abortion stigma? - Fiona Bloomer, Northern Ireland
- Towards understanding internalised abortion stigma: listening to women's voices - Lesley Hoggart, England

Room I

**Lunch session 4: Meeting with 'Arts and theatre**

**14:00 - 15:30 Concurrent sessions**

**Auditorium 450 Concurrent session 1: Free communications**

Chairs: Sam Rowlands, UK - Deborah Bateson, Australia

- 14:00 - 14 :10 Experiences of Irish Women Seeking Abortion Care in the United Kingdom - Joanna Mishtal, US
- 14:10 – 14:20 Can women accurately assess the outcome of medical abortion based on self-assessment and low sensitivity urine pregnancy test? – Céline Pimentel, France
- 14:20 – 14:30 Cross-country travel for abortion in Europe: Costs, barriers, and delays to care - Caitlin Gerds, US
- 14:30 – 14:40 Supporting Safe Managed Abortion in Poland and the USA – What is the Difference? - Susan Yanow, US
- 14:40 – 14:50 Pain during medical abortion in early pregnancy - teenagers compared to adult women - Venla Kempainen, Finland
- 14:50 – 15:00 Multiple abortions: The experiences of the women who request them and the staff who provide them - Christine McKnight, UK
- 15:00 – 15:10 Immediate vs. delayed levonorgestrel-releasing intrauterine system insertion after medical abortion – long-term satisfaction - Riina Korjamo, Finland
- 15:10 – 15:20 Results from a randomised controlled trial of an mHealth intervention to increase post-menstrual regulation contraceptive use in Bangladesh - Kathryn Church, UK
- 15:20 – 15:30 Intrauterine Mepivacaine for pain relief at IUD insertion – Niklas Envall, Sweden

Room GH

**Concurrent session 2: Hot topics in abortion care**

Chairs: Teresa Bombas, Portugal - Philippe David, France

- 14:00 – 14:30 Pain & first trimester surgical abortion - Alison Edelman, US
- 14:30 – 15:00 Pain & medical abortion at home - Teresa Bombas, Portugal
- 15:00 – 15:30 Anti D and early abortion – Ellen Wiebe, Canada

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**Concurrent session 3: Novel ways of working**

Chairs: Allan Templeton, UK - Ingrid Sääv, Sweden

- 14:00 – 14:30 Mife by Mail: Findings from a telemedicine abortion service in the US - Erica Chong, US
- 14:30 – 15:00 Rethinking 2nd Trimester Medical Abortion Services – Beverly Winikoff, US
- 15:00 – 15:30 Global Combipack initiatives – Antonella Lavelanet, WHO

Room 200 **Concurrent session 4: Refusal to treat under 'Conscientious Objection': consequences, impact and how to secure the right for abortion**

Moderators: Nausikaä Martens, Belgium - Mirella Parachini, Italy

14:00 – 14:30 FILM on CO: Refusal to treat: the consequences for women in Europe – Christian Fiala, Austria

14:30 – 15:30 Conscientious objection versus conscientious commitment  
Helena Kopp Kallner, Sweden / Anne Verougstraete, Belgium

Room KL **Concurrent session 5: Liberating women in Ireland**

Chairs/moderators: James Trussell, US – Sharon Cameron, UK

14:00 – 14:30 How women's voices changed minds in Ireland: The use of evidence to inform policy debate and public discourse on the Eighth Amendment – Abigail Aiken, N.Ireland/US

14:30 – 15:00 Abortion law and policy in Northern Ireland: Its impact on access and future direction - Fiona Bloomer, N.Ireland

15:00 – 15:30 The journey to bodily autonomy: How policy change has affected the experiences of abortion seekers from Ireland and Northern Ireland – Mara Clarke, UK

**15:30 – 16:00 Refreshments, exhibition and poster presentations**

Mezzanine

**16:00 - 17:30 Plenary Session 2: Improving access to and simplifying early abortion**

Auditorium 450 Chairs: Nathalie Kapp, US - Philippe Faucher, France

16:00 – 16:30 Safe medical abortion at very early gestation – Alisa Goldberg, US

16:30 – 17:00 Simplifying early surgical abortion - Patricia Lohr, UK

17:00 – 17:30 Immediate contraception - Oskari Heikinheimo, Finland

**17:30 – 18:30 Ipas MVA event (max. 50 persons)**

Room GH Trainer: Alison Edelman, US

A one-hour symposium on the indications for uses, and practical applications of the Ipas Manual Vacuum Aspirator (MVA). The Ipas MVA has broad utility for induced abortion, post-abortion care, miscarriage management, and endometrial biopsy. The session will include a brief introduction, but the emphasis will be on hands-on application and utilization of the aspirator. The trainer, Prof. Alison Edelman, is an experienced provider with more than 20 years working with Ipas. Participants are encouraged to raise questions during the session to learn practical points of care.

Representatives from WomanCare Global will be on hand to address questions around how to order the Ipas MVA kit.

The first 30 participants to sign up will receive a free sample. Pre-registration was needed for this session. In case you did not pre-register but still would like to attend, please contact the registration desk to see if there are still places available.

**18:00 – 19:30 General Assembly of FIAPAC (members only)**

Auditorium 450

**20:00 Conference dinner**

Les salons du Nantilus, Quai Fernand Crouan 30, Nantes

Speech LOC – Philippe David, France - Martine Hatchuel, France

08:00 – 09:00 **What Women Want in Abortion Care**  
Room 200 The Australian National University and Marie Stopes Australia will discuss the initial qualitative research findings of an Australian-driven global research project on what women want in abortion care. This session will provide an opportunity for providers to join this collaborative global research project that will inform best-practice abortion care internationally.  
Please note that breakfast will be provided.

Pre-registration was needed for this session. In case you did not pre-register but still would like to attend, please contact the registration desk to see if there are still places available.

09:00 - 10:30 **Plenary Session 3: Contraception and fertility control**  
Auditorium 450 Chairs: Sharon Cameron, UK - Caroline Moreau, France  
09:00 – 09:30 The contraceptive paradox - Christian Fiala, Austria  
09:30 – 10:00 Fertility control: what do women want? – Hang Wun Raymond Li, Hong Kong  
10:00 – 10:30 The contraceptive continuum - Kristina Gemzell Danielsson, Sweden

10:30 - 11:00 **Refreshments, exhibition and poster presentations**  
Mezzanine

11:00 - 12:30 **Concurrent sessions**

Auditorium 450 **Concurrent session 6: ANCIC/REHVO (French professional abortion associations)**  
Chairs: Philippe Faucher, France – Martine Hatchuel, France  
11:00 – 11:30 Hysteroscopic versus laparoscopic sterilisation and health outcomes  
Mahmoud Zureik, France  
11:30 – 12:00 New experience in France of surgical TOP in primary health care centres  
- Sophie Eyraud, France  
12:00 – 12:30 Post-partum immediate insertion IUD: New French experience in a tertiary maternity unit – Solene Vigoureux

Room I **Concurrent session 7: Society of Family Planning (SFP), US**  
Innovations in abortion research and practice: Lessons learned and future directions  
Chairs: Mary Fjerstad, US - Deborah Bateson, Australia  
11:00 – 11:30 MARE guidelines for reporting on medical abortion – Mary Fjerstad, US  
11:30 – 12:00 A path to over-the-counter medical abortion – Nathalie Kapp, US  
12:00 – 12:30 Smartphone technology: increasing access to abortion information and support – Caitlin Gerds, US

Room 200 **Concurrent session 8: Free communications**  
Chairs: Niklas Envall, Sweden – Choon Kang Walther, Switzerland  
11:00 – 11:10 Risk factors for surgical intervention of early medical abortion and their predictive value: a nationwide prospective cohort study - Amani Meaidi, Denmark  
11:10 – 11:20 Implementing and expanding safe abortion care: an international comparative case study of six countries - Mary Favier, Ireland

- 11:20 – 11:30 Two prophylactic medication approaches in addition to a pain control regimen for early medical abortion < 63 days' gestation with mifepristone and misoprostol: a randomized, controlled trial - Monica Dragoman, US
- 11:30 – 11:40 Feasibility and acceptability of providing immediate postpartum intrauterine contraception (PPIUC) in a public maternity service - Michelle Cooper, UK
- 11:40 – 11:50 Capturing Compassion: Support for abortion among Mexican Catholics by reason for abortion and degree of Catholicism - Blair Darney, US
- 11:50 – 12:00 Interpregnancy intervals less than 12 months: advice given, contraception used and notions of ideal timing - Kate Cheney, Australia
- 12:00 – 12:10 Using client information systems to examine post-abortion family planning uptake: insights from Marie Stopes centres in Kenya - Katharine Footman, UK
- 12:10 – 12:20 Increasing Access to Abortion Care Services in the Western Cape, South Africa: The impact of Values Clarification workshops - Valerie Truby, South Africa
- 12:20 – 12:30 Delivery of audiovisual information on early medical abortion to women in Europe via digital technology: is it acceptable and informative? A multi country study - John Reynolds-Wright, UK

Room GH

**Concurrent session 9: Second trimester abortion**

Chairs: Patricia Lohr, UK - Raina Brethouwer, NL

- Feticide as a facilitator of later abortion care - Richard Lyus, UK
  - Ask the experts: difficult cases in medical and surgical abortion
- Expert Panel: Oona Nyttäjä, Finland - Richard Lyus, UK - Matthew Reeves, US - Paul D. Blumenthal, US - Ingrid Sääv, Sweden

Room KL

**Concurrent session 10: Quality abortion care and quality contraception care**

Chairs: Anne Verougstraete, Belgium – Ann Furedi, UK

- 11:00 – 11:30 Overview of abortion incidence around the world – Gilda Sedgh, Guttmacher
- 11:30 – 12:00 Assessing quality of care in abortion: focusing on the client experience - James Newton, IPPF
- 12:00 – 12:30 Discussion

12:30 - 14:00 **Lunch, exhibition and poster presentations**

Mezzanine

13:00 - 14:00 **Lunch sessions**

Auditorium 450 **Lunch session 1: European Society for Contraception and Reproductive Health (ESC)**

Chairs: Sam Rowlands, UK - Gabriele Halder, Germany

- 13:00 – 13:20 Repeated pregnancies in adolescents – Kai Haldre, Estonia
- 13:20 – 13:40 Timing of insertion of intrauterine contraception after abortion – Roberto Lertxundi, Spain
- 13:40 – 14:00 Contraceptive use after cancer – Gabriele Merki, Switzerland

Room GH

**Lunch session 2: Counselling for difficult clinical situations – small group discussions**

Moderators: Nausikaä Martens, Belgium – Carine Vrancken, Belgium

Room 200 **Lunch session 3: Nursing/ midwifery management of midtrimester medical abortion**  
Moderators: Linda Hunt, Scotland – Sandra Rubio, Sweden – Oona Nyytäjä, Finland

- a round table discussion of practical issues and caring for women

Room kL **Lunch session 4: Highly recommended posters platform**  
Chair: Allan Templeton, UK - Shelley Raine, UK  
(7 min including Q&A / poster)

Room J **Lunch session 5: Levoplant event** (max. 50 persons)  
Trainer: Matt Reeves, US  
A one-hour session on the indications, counseling, and insertion and removal techniques for the Levoplant contraceptive implant. Levoplant is a highly effective long-acting reversible contraceptive that is WHO prequalified for up to 3 years of use. Dr. Matt Reeves will lead participants through the medical eligibility criteria in addition to steps for pre- and post-insertion care and counselling. The session will include a demonstration of how to properly insert and remove the implant.

Representatives from WomanCare Global will be on hand to address questions around how to order Levoplant.

Pre-registration is needed for this session. In case you did not pre-register but still would like to attend, please contact the registration desk to see if there are still places available.

14:00 - 15:30 **Concurrent sessions**

Auditorium 450 **Concurrent session 11: IPPF Session theme - Removing barriers and facilitating access to abortion care – A global perspective**  
Chairs: Lena Luyckfasseel, IPPF – Teresa Bombas, Portugal

14:00 – 14:30 Accessibility of abortion services: policy versus reality –  
Nino Tsuleiskiri, Georgia

14:30 – 15:00 Providing post-abortion care services in a humanitarian setting –  
Salma Kanani, Sudan

15:00 – 15:30 Partnering with young people as champions in sexual rights and  
abortion access - Kader Avonnon, Benin

Room GH **Concurrent session 12: Providers and services in crisis**  
Chairs: Dimitar Cvetkov, Bulgaria – Ann Furedi, UK

14:00 – 14:30 Early medical abortion available but not offered in Bulgaria –  
Andriana Andreeva, Bulgaria

14:30 – 15:00 When there is no one left to care for women with complex medical conditions  
- Janesh Gupta, UK

15:00 – 15:30 Access issues across Australia - Deborah Bateson, Australia

Room 200 **Concurrent session 13: Free communications**

Chairs: Rodica Comendant, Moldavia - Martine Hatchuel, France  
14:00 – 14:10 Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptive methods provided for free in a  
population and the risk of unintended Pregnancy – Frida Gyllenberg, Finland  
14:10 – 14:20 Uptake of medical abortion training since approval of mifepristone in

- Canada - Dustin Costescu, Canada
- 14:20 – 14:30 Exploring associations between stigma, abortion reporting and perceptions of abortion prevalence: Preliminary findings from an ongoing survey in Nigeria - Grace Sheehy, US
- 14:30 – 14:40 Quality of care and abortion: Beyond safety - Blair Darney, US
- 14:40 – 14:50 Increase of manual vacuum aspiration in the treatment of incomplete abortions in Malawi - Maria Lisa Odland, Norway
- 14:50 – 15:00 Safety and acceptability of medical abortion by telemedicine at above nine gestational weeks: a cohort study - Margit Endler, Sweden
- 15:00 – 15:10 Early medical abortion at home: demographic characteristics which predict preference for home abortion - Lucy Michie, UK
- 15:10 – 15:20 Conscientious commitment: Expanding provision to safe abortion by empowering local activists – Joyce Arthur, Canada
- 15:20 – 15:30 Internal and external obstacles to comprehensive abortion services in humanitarian settings: A study on health care providers' perceptions and experiences – Sarah Fried, Sweden

Room KL **Concurrent session 14: Abortion in Humanitarian settings**

- Chairs: Antonella Lavelanet, WHO - Allan Templeton, UK
- 14:00 – 14:30 Safe abortion in humanitarian settings – Maria Rodriguez, US
- 14:30 – 15:00 Offering choice in uncertain times: opportunities for and challenges with increasing access to safe abortion care in humanitarian settings – Erin Wheeler, US
- 15:00 – 15:30 Research on safe abortion in emergency contexts – Bill Powell, IPAS

Room I **Concurrent session 15: Catholics for Choice  
Moral & ethical thinking: from global abortion providers, an interactive discussion**

- Chair: Jon O'Brien, US
- Panelists: Willie Parker, US - Eddie Mhlanga, South Africa - Laura Gil, Colombia - George Thomas, US

15:30 - 16:00 **Refreshments, exhibition and poster presentations**  
Mezzanine

16:00 - 16:30 **Prize giving: Best oral communications, young researcher & posters and FIAPAC/Exelgyn grant**  
Auditorium 450

- Chair: Sharon Cameron, UK – Nausikaä Martens, Belgium
- Presentation of the “MedAbb” application for medical abortion - Gabriele Halder, Germany

16:30 - 17:45 **Plenary session 4: The impact of stigma & future service provision**  
Auditorium 450

- Chairs: Nausikaa Martens, Belgium - Sharon Cameron, UK
- 16:30 – 16:55 Women and providers: stigmatised and stigmatisation – Lisa McDaid, UK
- 16:55 – 17:20 Overcoming restrictions to access – Rebecca Gomperts, Netherlands
- 17:20 – 17:45 How can we sustain comprehensive abortion services for the future? – Ann Furedi, UK

17:45 - 18:00 **Closing remarks**  
Auditorium 450

- Clare Murphy, UK,  
FIAPAC President - Sharon Cameron, UK

18:00 **Au revoir drinks & evaluation forms**  
Mezzanine

## Sunday, 16 September 2018

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09:00 – 12:00 **Post-conference session - Francophone session**

Room 200

09:00 – 09:20 Session douleur (Concurrent session 2: Best management)

Philippe David, France - Martine Hatchuel, France

09:20 – 09:40 Session ANCIC REVHO (Concurrent session 6)

Philippe Faucher, France - Martine Hatchuel, France

09:40 – 10:15 Session objection de conscience (Concurrent session 15)

Christian Fiala, Autriche - Mirella Parachini, Italie

10:15 – 10:45 PAUSE

10:45 – 11:00 Session IPPF (Concurrent session 11)

Philippe David, France - Laurence Danjou, France

11:00 – 11:20 Session Avortement dans des situations de crise humanitaire (Concurrent session 14)

Nathalie Trignol, France

11:20 – 12:00 Points forts du Congrès

Martine Hatchuel, Philippe David, Aubert Agostini