Help Us Support Women’s Health through all Phases of Life

Women's health care is expansive and ever changing, and it requires innovation, integration and collaboration.

The Women’s Institute at Banner – University Medical Center Phoenix is elevating the standard of care for women in Arizona and beyond.

Led by Michael Foley, MD, renowned maternal-fetal medicine physician, teacher and author, the institute takes a multidisciplinary approach to care. Services range from routine obstetrics and gynecology, to the more complex maternal-fetal medicine, breast health, diseases of the female reproductive system, menopause management, sexual health and more. The Women’s Institute also is nationally recognized as a leader in high-risk obstetrics.

Banner – University Medical Center Phoenix, the primary teaching site for the University of Arizona College of Medicine – Phoenix, is home to esteemed obstetrics and gynecology residency and gynecology fellowship programs. Together, board certified physicians, medical residents and fellows provide superior patient care in a manner that promotes cross-level learning and improved outcomes.

Consistently ranked among “America's Best Hospitals” by U.S. News & World Report, Banner – University Medical Center Phoenix offers Arizona’s most comprehensive women’s health care program. Its track record has made it a destination health center for women in Arizona and beyond.

We invite you to learn more and partner with us to advance the programs that are most in need of your support.

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CENTER FOR MIDWIFERY
As a leader in high-risk obstetrics, the Women’s Institute has long been a destination birth center for moms-to-be. However, many women seek a more natural, home-like birth experience under the guidance of a midwife. The institute’s Center for Midwifery enables women to receive birthing services from certified nurse-midwives with the peace of mind that comes from having other medical experts and technologies nearby if intervention is needed. The Center for Midwifery blends the high-tech benefits of a hospital birth center with the high-touch experience that comes with a midwife delivery.

CRITICAL CARE OBSTETRICS
Among the programs that differentiate the Women’s Institute is critical care obstetrics, a division of maternal-fetal medicine. For decades, the institute has served as a model of care coordination and clinical expertise for women whose pregnancies are considered high-risk.

VIRTUAL OB INTENSIVE CARE
When a pregnant woman becomes critically ill, immediate access to the highest quality care and round-the-clock monitoring from clinicians trained in maternal-fetal health is paramount. The virtual intensive care unit for obstetrics (OB) at the Women’s Institute provides real-time bedside care to critically ill pregnant patients and their unborn babies, regardless of hospital unit location.

EARLY INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION
In women’s health, preventative medicine begins in adolescence and continues through menopause and beyond to ensure long-term health and wellness. The Women’s Institute subscribes to the philosophy that regardless of a woman’s age or phase in life, early intervention and prevention strategies are vital to maintaining and improving health.

FACULTY PHYSICIAN SUPPORT
Expanding and enhancing women’s health care will require the scientific minds and clinical skills of America’s best physicians. To attract and retain those who are shaping women’s health care, Banner Health must rely on philanthropic investments in endowed academic chairs and training fellowships. These endowed positions signal to the country’s top obstetricians and gynecologists that Banner can deliver the reputation, resources and respect they seek.

TRAINING THE NEXT GENERATION OF WOMEN’S HEALTH PHYSICIANS
Having a continual supply of leading obstetricians and gynecologists requires funding to attract the best medical residents and fellows to train at the Women’s Institute. Physicians who train in Arizona are more likely to stay and practice in the state. Recruiting the best-and-brightest candidates is competitive. Philanthropic support will enable us to secure the very best residents and fellows and also provide them with resources for conference travel and other enrichment opportunities.