

ASTMH Announces Newly Elected Society Leadership

November 8, 2017 – The American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene announced Regina Rabinovich, MD, as its new president today at the Society’s 66th Annual Meeting in Baltimore. Dr. Rabinovich is the ExxonMobil Malaria Scholar in Residence, Department of Immunology and Infectious Diseases, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.

She succeeds Patricia F. Walker, MD, DTM&H, FASTMH, director of the Global Health Pathway, Department of Medicine, University of Minnesota and HealthPartners Travel and Tropical Medicine Center. Chandy C. John, MD, FASTMH, Director, Ryan White Center for Pediatric Infectious Disease and Global Health, Indiana University, is the new president-elect.

The Society also welcomed two new councilors: David H. Hamer, MD FASTMH, Professor of Global Health and Medicine, Center for Global Health and Development, Boston University, and Jetsumon Sattabongkot Prachumsri, PhD, researcher for the Mahidol Vivax Research Unit Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol University, in Bangkok.

“The Society continues to welcome our international colleagues into the Council to expand our global perspective and leadership,” Dr. Walker said. “Abdoulaye Djimde of Mali joined the Council last year, and we are looking forward to the insights Dr. Prachumsri will provide in the coming year. I also look forward to Regina’s leadership as we continue to grow as a Society and advocate for tropical medicine and global health.”

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